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FLUID MILK PRICES IN CITY MARKETS

FOR JULY 1948

Fluid milk prices at retail and to producers early in July reached new record high levels, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported today. Increased prices were particularly widespread in central and northern New England, New York State and Pennsylvania. Scattered price increases were reported from other areas except the South Atlantic and Pacific Coast.

In California, the State Bureau of Markets, acting on the suggestion of milk producers and consumers, took steps to prevent milk price increases, which would have occurred in a large number of markets under operation of an automatic pricing formula. Monthly milk production on United States farms reached its seasonal peak in June at a level 4 percent below a year ago. Per capita daily milk production during June averaged 2.80 pounds, according to the United States Crop Reporting Board. This was the lowest per capita production rate in 19 years of record, except for the drought year 1934. Prices of all dairy products continue sharply higher than a year ago.

Retail prices of standard milk delivered to homes in 24 cities early in July averaged 20.8 cents per quart, three-tenths of a cent higher than in June and two and three-tenths cents per quart higher than in July a year ago. Retail price increases occurred early in July in about one in every five markets reporting. At \$5.15 per hundredweight, the milk dealers' average buying price for Class I milk of 3.5 percent butterfat content was 11 cents per hundredweight above the June price and 36 cents per hundredweight above the corresponding level in July 1947. Producer price increases occurred in one out of every six markets reporting. The average retail price is now at a new record level, exceeding by two-tenths of a cent per quart the previous record average price of 20.6 cents per quart, established in March of this year. The average producer price is also at a new record high level, exceeding by 5 cents per hundredweight the previous record of \$5.10 per hundredweight reached in February of this year.

In the New England area, milk prices at both producer and retail levels were raised on July 1 in all controlled areas in Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont. Retail prices were increased one cent per quart in Maine, Vermont, and in several New Hampshire markets. Producer price increases were generally somewhat less than one cent per quart. The Greater Boston area, the primary market in New England, experienced an automatic increase of 44 cents per hundredweight in its producer price under the provisions of Federal Milk Order Number 4, as did also the Lowell-Lawrence and Fall River markets. Corresponding increases in retail milk prices occurred on July 1 also. In Rhode Island, State-wide increases of one cent per quart in retail prices and 40 cents per hundredweight in producer prices became effective July 1 under the terms of orders issued by the Rhode Island Milk Control Board. On July 6, the United States Department of Agriculture, under the provisions of the Agricultural Marketing Agreement of 1937, as amended, issued a notice of recommended decision providing for an increase of 22 cents per hundredweight in the Class I price in the Fall River, Mass. market above the level established on July 1 in order to maintain the supply of milk for that market. This price adjustment would terminate December 31, 1948.

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MARKETS	DEALERS' BUYING PRICES (F.O.B. CITY)										SELLING PRICES 2/										Fat test of milk most commonly sold by tainersdealers	
	Used for FLUID MILK 1/					Used for FLUID CREAM					RETAIL											
	Paid for milk of basic fat test per cwt. Dollars	Basic fat test Pct.	Allowance 1/10% butterfat Cents	Paid for or adjusted to 3.5% fat per cwt. Dollars	Used for 3.5% fat basis per cwt. Dollars	In bulk 5-20 gal. lots per gal. Cents	Bottled per quart Cents	Delivered to homes Per single quart Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	Per single quart Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	Stores Per single quart Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	Percent					
New Jersey(s)																						
Atlantic City	5.60	3.5	6.0	5.60	-	76	20	22 1/2	-	-	21 1/2	-	-	-	-	-	3.5-4.0					
Newark	5.60	3.5	6.0	5.60	-	74	19 1/2	22 1/2	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	-	3.5-4.0					
Trenton	5.60	3.5	6.0	5.60	-	72	19	21 1/2	-	-	20 1/2	-	-	-	-	-	3.5-4.0					
New York																						
Albany		Not determined				74-76	20	22	-	-	8/22-23	-	-	-	-	-						
Buffalo(s)	5.80	3.5	7.0	5.80	9/4.15	74	18 1/2-19	22	-	-	20-21	-	-	-	-	-	3.6					
New York(F-S)	10/6.08-6.32	3.5	4.0	6.08-6.32	-	68-74	18-20	23 1/2	-	-	19-22	-	-	-	-	-						
Rochester(s)	5.80	3.5	7.0	5.80	9/4.30	74	19	22	-	-	8/21-22	-	-	-	-	-	3.6-3.9					
North Carolina																						
Durham	6.00	4	5.0	5.75	-	70	20	22	-	-	22	-	-	-	-	-	4.0					
Winston-Salem	6.00	4	5.0	5.75	-	75	20	22	-	-	22	-	-	-	-	-	4.0					
North Dakota																						
Fargo	D.R.	-	13.5	4.72	4.72	66	17	19	-	-	19	-	-	-	-	-	3.5-3.8					
Grand Forks	4.40	3.5	-	4.40	-	60	16	18	-	-	18	-	-	-	-	-	3.8					
Mandan	4.25	3.5	7.0	4.25	-	-	15	17	-	-	17	-	-	-	-	-						
Ohio																						
Akron		Not determined				64	17 1/2	20	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	3.7					
Canton	5.30	3.5	-	5.30	4.70	-	17 1/2	20	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	3.5					
Cincinnati(F)		Not determined				72	18	21	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	-	3.7					
Cleveland(F)	5.313	3.5	-	5.31	4.57	68	17 1/2	20	-	-	19	-	-	-	-	-	3.5					
Columbus(F)		Not determined				65	17	19	-	-	19	-	-	-	-	-	3.8					
Dayton(F)		Not determined				72	19	21	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	-	3.8					
Toledo(F)		Not determined				70	18 1/2	21	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	-	3.6					
Oklahoma																						
Oklahoma City	5.15	4	7.0	4.80	3.45	-	17 1/2	20	-	-	19-20	-	-	-	-	-	3.7					
Tulsa	5.15	4	10.0	4.65	4.65	68	17 1/2	20	-	-	19-20	-	-	-	-	-	3.6					
Oregon																						
Klamath Falls	.11/	-	11.5	5.42	-	72	18	20	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	3.2-3.8					
Portland	.11/	-	11.5	5.42	5.42	68	17	19	-	-	19	-	-	-	-	-	3.2-4.0					
Pennsylvania(s)																						
Johnstown	5.50	4	5.0	5.25	-	70	18	20	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	3.7-3.8					
McKeesport	5.63	4	5.0	5.38	-	74	19	20 1/2	-	-	20 1/2	-	-	-	-	-	3.7					
Philadelphia(F)	5.84	4	5.0	5.59	-	71-73	18-18 1/4	20 1/2	-	-	19 1/2	-	-	-	-	-	3.7-4.0					
Pittsburgh	5.63	4	5.0	5.38	5.17	-	19	20 1/2	-	-	20 1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-					
Rhode Island(s)																						
Newport	7.13	3.7	11.1 est.	6.91	-	80	22	21	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	-	-					
Providence	6.88	3.7	11.1 est.	6.66	3/4.48	76	20	23	-	-	22	-	-	-	-	-	3.7					

South Dakota	4.50	3.5	5.0	4.50	-	65	16	19	-	-	-	-	3.5
Aberdeen	4.80	3.5	8.0	4.80	-	60	17	19	-	-	-	-	3.5-3.6
Sioux Falls													
Tennessee	5.50	4	5.0	5.25	-	60-62	18	8/20-21	38	-	-	-	4.0
Knoxville	5.76	4	9.0	5.31	-	62	16	18	-	-	-	-	4.0
Memphis							18	20	-	-	-	-	3.8
Nashville(F)													
Texas													
Dallas	5.90	4	8.0	5.50	5.50	-	18	21	40	-	-	-	3.9
El Paso	6.35	4	5.0	6.10	6.10	-	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	22	-	-	-	-	3.7
Houston	6.90	4	10.0	6.40	-	-	20	23	44	-	-	-	-
Utah													
Salt Lake City	12/4.375	3.5	11.0	4.38	-	63	16	19	38	-	-	-	3.5
Vermont(S)													
Bellevue Falls	5.65 est.	3.7	10.8 est.	5.43	5.43	72	19	21	-	-	-	-	4.0
Virginia													
Richmond	5.98	3.7	5.0	5.88	4.11	70	20	21	-	-	-	-	3.7
Washington													
Bremerton	5.60	4	10.0	5.10	5.10	68	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	-	-	-	-	3.8
Seattle	5.72	4	10.8	5.18	5.18	68	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	-	-	-	-	3.5
Spokane	D.R.	-	12.93	4.53	-	62	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	19	-	-	-	-	3.6
West Virginia													
Charleston	5.60	3.5	6.0	5.60	5.30	-	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	22	-	-	-	-	3.8
Wheeling	5.30	4	8.0	4.90	3.85	-	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	-	-	-	-	4.0
Wisconsin													
Beloit	4.708	3.5	9.7	4.71	4.51	68	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	-	-	-	-	3.6
Kenosha	4.80	3.5	5.0	4.80	4.80	68	17	19	-	-	-	-	3.6
Madison	4.80	3.5	6.0	4.80	4.45	64	16	18	-	-	-	-	3.6
Milwaukee						64	16 $\frac{1}{2}$	19	-	-	-	-	3.5-3.6
Racine	-	-	-	-	-	64	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	19	-	-	-	-	3.6

(S) Under State Control Board. Where only State is marked, all cities shown are under State Control Board.

(F) Under Federal Control.

D.R. Indicates that payment is made in direct ratio to butterfat content.

1/ Buying prices f.o.b. city for milk used in fluid form for city distribution; either (a) prices paid for Class I milk, (b) paid for base amounts from individual producers.

2/ Selling prices are for that quality of milk commonly sold in specified markets. 3/ June price. 4/ Effective June 10. 5/ 1¢ per quart discount on a purchase of 3 or more single quarts.

6/ 2¢ per quart discount on purchase of 2 or more single quarts. 7/ The higher price is for milk in paper containers. 8/ Combined price for milk used as fluid milk and fluid cream. 9/ Does not include skim milk differential. June differential was 56¢ and 63¢ for Buffalo and Rochester respectively.

10/ 200 mile zone price +1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to 36¢ freight +30¢ to 50¢ country station handling charges.

11/ Prevailing price is \$1.15 per pound butterfat plus \$1.40 per hundredweight of milk purchased.

12/ Effective July 1. Direct ratio to 3.5 percent butterfat test. Net price after deduction of 63¢ per hundredweight for seasonal take-out, effective April 1. The price of \$4.04 for April through June is net price.

June 1948 Prices (Not available when the June report was published)

MARKETS	DEALERS' BUYING PRICES (F.O.B. CITY)										WHOLESALE										RETAIL										Fat test of milk most commonly sold by dealers Percent
	Used for FLUID MILK					Used for CRAM					In bulk					Bottled					Delivered to homes					Stores					
	Paid for milk of basic fat test		Allowance 1/10% butterfat		Basic fat test	Paid for or adjusted to 3.5% fat		3.5% fat - basis		5-20 gal. lots		per gal.		quart		per single quart		2-qt. con-tainers		4-qt. con-tainers		Per single quart		2-qt. con-tainers		4-qt. con-tainers					
	Dollars	Pct.	Cents	Dollars		Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents			
Mobile, Ala.	6.50	4	7.0	6.15	-	-	4.52	-	-	-	62	21½	16	19	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	24	18½-19	-	-	-	4.0				
Rock Island, Ill.	4.666	3.5	..	4.67	4.52	-	-	-	-	66	16½	19	16	19	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	18½-19	-	-	-	-	3.5-3.6				
Fort Wayne, Ind.	5.220	4	10.5	4.70	-	-	-	-	-	66	17	19	16½	19	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18-19	-	-	-	3.6				
Indianapolis, Ind.	4.98	4	6.0	4.68	-	-	-	-	-	66	17	19	16½	19	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18-19	-	-	-	3.8				
Sioux City, Iowa	4.91	3.5	9.7	4.91	4.61	-	-	-	-	64	17	19	17	19	37	72	-	-	-	-	-	-	18-19	-	-	-	3.3-3.6				
Topeka, Kans.	5.127	3.8	10.0	4.83	4.58	-	-	-	-	-	69	18	18	20	39	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.5				
Wichita, Kans.	5.282	3.8	9.7	4.99	-	-	-	-	-	-	68-72	18½-19½	18½	20	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19-20	-	-	-	3.4-3.6				
Louisville, Ky.	5.504	3.8	10.5	5.19	-	-	-	-	-	72	19	22	19	22	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	21-22	-	-	-	-	3.8				
New Orleans, La.	5.881	4	..	5.38	4.43	-	-	-	-	63	17	20	17	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	4.0				
Minneapolis, Minn.	4.56	3.5	10.3	4.56	-	-	-	-	-	-	64	16½	17	19	19½	-	-	-	-	-	-	17½-18	-	-	-	-	3.5				
St. Paul, Minn.	4.56	3.5	10.3	4.56	-	-	-	-	-	-	64	17	17	19½	19½	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				
Kansas City, Mo.	5.232	3.8	10.5	4.92	-	-	-	-	-	-	72-76	18-19½	18	20	39-41	79-80	-	-	-	-	-	20-21½	39-41	-	-	-	3.3-3.8				
St. Louis, Mo.	5.04	3.5	9.7	5.04	4.34	-	-	-	-	64	16½	19	16½	19	37	-	-	-	-	-	-	18-19	35-37	-	-	-	3.5				
Omaha, Nebr.	5.15	3.8	11.0	4.82	4.47	-	-	-	-	70	18	20	18	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	3.6				
Albuquerque, N. Mex.	D.R.	-	16.5	5.78	-	-	-	-	-	74-76	20	22	20	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22-23	-	-	-	-	-				
Albany, N.Y.	5.80	3.5	7.0	5.80	4.50	-	-	-	-	74	20	22	20	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	-	-	-	-	3.8				
Baltimore, N.C.	6.00	3.5-4	2/	6.00	6.00	-	-	-	-	65	17	19	17	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	-	-	-	-	3.8				
Columbus, Ohio	5.164	3.5	9.2	5.16	4.91	-	-	-	-	72	19	21	19	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	3.8				
Dayton, Ohio	5.213	3.5	..	5.21	4.92	-	-	-	-	66	17½	20	17½	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	3.6				
Toledo, Ohio	5.213	3.5	9.5	5.21	4.31	-	-	-	-	66	18	20	18	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19-20	-	-	-	-	3.8				
Nashville, Tenn.	5.898	4	11.3	5.33	-	-	-	-	-	62	16½	19	16½	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17½-19	-	-	-	-	3.6-3.7				
Milwaukee, Wis.	4.80	3.5	7.0	4.80	4.31	-	-	-	-	64	16	18	16	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	-	-	-	4.0				
Oshkosh, Wis.	4.27	3.5	..	4.27	-	-	-	-	-	64	16	18	16	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	-	-	-	3.7				
Cincinnati, Ohio	5.83	4	9.7	4.34	-	-	-	-	-	72	18	21	18	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	-				

1/ All prices for May.

2/ 5¢ paid if over 4% and 3¢ deducted if under 3.5% fat test.

**DEALERS' BUYING PRICES FOR STANDARD GRADE MILK
USED FOR CITY DISTRIBUTION AS MILK AND CREAM (3.5% BUTTERFAT BASIS)
PER HUNDREDWEIGHT**

By geographic divisions, for delivery F.O.B. local shipping
point or country plant, July 1948 with comparisons 1/

Division 2/	July 1948			Prices compared for same markets			
	Markets	Range	Average	Markets	July 1948	June 1948	July 1947
	Number	Dollars	Dollars	Number	average Dollars	average Dollars	average Dollars
New England	15	5.43-6.56	6.00	15	6.00	* 5.69	5.05
Middle Atl'c	13	4.95-5.80	5.31	13	5.31	5.10	4.80
E.N. Central	23	4.14-5.18	4.76	23	4.76	* 4.63	3.89
W.N. Central	18	4.15-4.91	4.59	18	4.59	* 4.55	3.69
S. Atlantic	20	4.07-7.31	5.65	20	5.65	5.63	5.28
E.S. Central	8	4.67-6.35	5.25	8	5.25	* 5.11	4.54
W.S. Central	8	4.45-6.15	5.29	8	5.29	5.21	4.63
Mountain	9	4.12-5.53	4.55	9	4.55	4.44	4.29
Pacific	9	4.59-5.12	4.92	9	4.92	4.92	4.59
UNITED STATES	123	4.07-7.31	5.15	123	5.15	5.04	4.49

* Revised

By cities where part of milk is purchased through country stations
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City	Buying price for raw milk (flat price or 3.5% fat basis)		Freight zone or rate per cwt. to which country station prices apply
	F.O.B. City	At country	
	per cwt. Dollars	per cwt. Dollars	
Boston, Mass.	4/ 6.18	5.66	191-210 mile zone
New York, N.Y.	5/ 6.08-6.32	5.46	201-210 mile zone (31½¢ rate)
Philadelphia, Pa.	5.59	5.25	61-70 mile zone
Pittsburgh, Pa.	5.38	5.06	All beyond 65 miles
Baltimore, Md.	5.65	5.34	All beyond 20 miles
Washington, D.C.	6.13	5.95	All beyond 35 miles
Birmingham, Ala.	6.40	5.90	30¢ rate

- 1/ Not including prices where milk is purchased on the basis of current butter quotations, but including "flat prices" where such apply, also "basic prices" where a surplus or pooling plan is in effect.
- 2/ New England - Maine, N. H., Vt., Mass., R. I., Conn.: Middle Atlantic - N. Y., N. J., Pa.: E. North Central - Ohio, Ind., Ill., Mich., Wis.: W. North Central - Minn., Iowa, Mo., N.D., S.D., Nebr., Kans.: South Atlantic - Del., Md., D. C., Va., W. Va., N. C., S. C., Ga., Fla.: E. South Central - Ky., Tenn., Ala., Miss., W. South Central - Ark., La., Okla., Tex.: Mountain - Wyo., Colo., N. Mex., Idaho, Ariz., Utah, Nev., Montana: Pacific - Wash., Oreg., Calif.
- 3/ Price paid for milk sold in fluid form for city distribution. See also note 1/ on page 5.
- 4/ Adjusted to 3.5% basis by use of estimated butterfat differential:
- 5/ 200-mile zone price +31½¢ to 36¢ freight +30¢ to 50¢ country station handling charges.

PRICES FOR SPECIAL GRADES OF MILK, COTTAGE CHEESE AND CREAM 1/

CITIES	Special grade of milk retail per quart Cents	Certified milk retail per quart Cents	Cottage cheese (creamed) retail per pound Cents	Wholesale per gal.				Retail				Wholesale per gal.				Retail					
				Dollars	per gal.	To Homes	At Stores	Per pint	Cents	Dollars	per gal.	To Homes	At Stores	Per pint	Cents	Dollars	per gal.	To Homes	At Stores	Per pint	Cents
Albany, N. Y.	23-25	26	25	-	-	2.52-2.68	24	24	-	-	4.80	-	-	-	40	40	-	-	-	-	
Baltimore, Md.	21-21½	-	2/23	-	-	2.61	25	25	-	-	4.56	-	-	-	37	37	-	-	-	-	
Birmingham, Ala.	25	-	-	42	42	-	22	22	-	-	-	63	63	-	34	34	-	-	-	-	
Boise, Idaho	-	-	23	-	-	2.50	23	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	40	-	-	-	-	
Boston, Mass.	24-25½	-	-	-	-	2.58½	22	22	-	-	4.47½	69	66	-	36	36	-	-	-	-	
Buffalo, N. Y.	23-24	-	2/18	42	42	3.00	23	23	-	-	4.75	73	68	-	39	39	-	-	-	-	
Chicago, Ill.	25-27	27	2/24	53	47	3.05	24	24	-	-	-	74	70	-	39	39	-	-	-	-	
Dallas, Texas	22	-	2/20	-	-	-	19	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	31	31	-	-	-	-	
Denver, Colo.	-	-	2/21	-	-	2.79	22	22	-	-	4.94	-	-	-	39	39	-	-	-	-	
Duluth, Minn.	-	-	2/18	-	-	2.60	-	-	-	-	3.70	57	55-57	-	30	30	-	-	-	-	
El Paso, Texas	24	26	2/22	-	-	-	23	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	45	45	-	-	-	-	
Evansville, Ind.	20	21	-	-	-	2.56	20	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	35	35	-	-	-	-	
Hartford, Conn.	23-25	27	-	46	-	-	24	24	-	-	-	74	-	-	39	39	-	-	-	-	
Jacksonville, Fla.	27-28	-	2/22	-	-	3.20	28	28	-	-	5.00	-	-	-	42	42	-	-	-	-	
Los Angeles, Calif.	21½-22½	24-25	28	40	38	2.48-2.50	20	20	-	-	3.76-4.38	59-68	-	-	31-35	31-35	-	-	-	-	
Kansas City, Mo.	-	-	-	56	-	2.42	21	21	-	-	5.24	-	-	-	39	39	-	-	-	-	
Miami, Fla.	27	28	2/20	-	-	3.20	22	22	-	-	5.00	82	82	-	42	42	-	-	-	-	
Milwaukee, Wis.	21	22	2/21	44	-	2.55	23	23	-	-	3.90	-	-	-	31	31	-	-	-	-	
Minneapolis, Minn.	22	-	2/21	36	35	2.60	30	30	-	-	3.36	48	46-47	-	25	25	-	-	-	-	
Nashville, Tenn.	21	-	27	-	-	2.50	22	22	-	-	4.00	-	-	-	30	30	-	-	-	-	
New Orleans, La.	23-24	27	2/22	-	-	2.68	21	21	-	-	3.36	-	-	-	26	26	-	-	-	-	
New York, N. Y.	25½-26	31½	-	-	-	2.52	26	26	-	-	4.48	-	-	-	40	40	-	-	-	-	
Omaha, Nebr.	20-21	-	2/18	-	-	2.71	21	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	37	37	-	-	-	-	
Philadelphia, Pa.	23½	29½-30½	-	45	43	2.72-2.80	23	23	-	-	4.96-5.68	82	80	-	44	44	-	-	-	-	
Pittsburgh, Pa.	21½-22½	-	25	45	45	3.08	24	24	-	-	4.04	62	62	-	32	32	-	-	-	-	
Portland, Ore.	21-23	-	-	39	39	2.80	21	21	-	-	4.00	56	56	-	30	30	-	-	-	-	
Providence, R. I.	24-25	27	-	45	45	2.71½	24	24	-	-	5.08	77	74	-	39	39	-	-	-	-	
Richmond, Va.	22-23	-	2/25	44	44	2.50	24	24	-	-	5.88	61	-	-	34	34	-	-	-	-	
Rochester, N. Y.	23-24	-	2/19	49	-	2.92	27	27	-	-	5.60	81	79	-	43	43	-	-	-	-	
Salt Lake City, Utah	21	-	2/23	44	43-44	2.60	28	28	-	-	4.20	65	64	-	38	38	-	-	-	-	
Seattle, Wash.	23	-	2/23	41	39	2.66	23	23	-	-	4.00	58	56	-	33	33	-	-	-	-	
Sioux City, Ia.	20	-	2/18	-	-	2.56	20	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	37	37	-	-	-	-	
St. Louis, Mo.	20½-22½	27½	16-20	-	-	2.48	21-24	21-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	32-34	32-34	-	-	-	-	
Washington, D. C.	22-23	-	2/23-25	37-39	35	2.44-2.56	19-23	19-23	-	-	4.96	76	76-82	-	41	41	-	-	-	-	
Wheeling, W. Va.	21-22	-	22	35	35	-	20	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	34	34	-	-	-	-	

1/ Reported wholesale and retail prices of products, delivered to wholesale buyers' places of business, to homes of retail customers, and sold through stores as indicated. Special grades refer to milk of different quality than that commonly sold in cities designated.

2/ Price for 12 oz. package.

NET PRICES PAID MEMBERS OF PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATIONS 1/

City	Last net blended prices paid for 3.5% milk 2/ per cwt.		Previously announced dealers' buying prices for same period	
			Basic or Class I per cwt.	Surplus price (paid on current butter market except as noted.)
	Dollars	Month	Dollars	
Hartford, New Haven & Bridgeport, Conn.	3/5.43	May	6.38	All milk pooled.
Washington, D. C.	3/5.18	May	6.13	
Chicago, Ill.	4/4.37	May	4.56	
Louisville, Ky.	3/4.40	June	5.19	
Baltimore, Md.	5.32	May	5.65	
Boston, Mass.	5/4.68	May	5.21	All milk pooled.
Detroit, Mich.	4.19	May	4.90	
St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn.	4.47	June	4.56	
St. Louis, Mo.	4.74	May	5.00	
New York, N. Y.	6/4.58-4.64	May	5.02	
Akron, Ohio	4.80	May	4.80	
Canton, Ohio	4.71	May	5.30	
Cincinnati, Ohio	4.69	May	5.29	
Cleveland, Ohio	4.78	May	5.21	
Columbus, Ohio	4.95	May	5.13	
Dayton, Ohio	4.78	May	5.18	
Toledo, Ohio	4.89	May	5.18	
Philadelphia, Pa.	4.98	May	4.98	
Pittsburgh, Pa.	4.68	May	4.98	
Providence, R. I.	5.94	May	6.03	
Richmond, Va.	5.75	May	5.88	
Seattle, Wash.	4.50	May	5.18	
Charleston, W. Va.	5.55	May	5.60	
Milwaukee, Wis.	4.55	June	4.80	

1/ Net prices reported paid to members of producers' associations supplying the cities listed. Dealers' buying prices announced in advance for such cities are usually of two classes: (a) prices paid for base amounts for individual producers or prices paid for Class I milk, and (b) prices paid for surplus milk. The former applies to that portion of the milk used in fluid form for city wholesale and retail trade, and the latter to that portion classed as "surplus" used for manufacturing purposes. 2/ F.O.B. city unless otherwise indicated. 3/ Net prices after deduction of 50¢ per hundredweight from Hartford and Washington prices and 35¢ from Louisville price for "Fall Production Premium Fund." 4/ 70-mile zone. 5/ 191-210 mile zone. 6/ 201-210 mile zone.

AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES 92 SCORE BUTTER JUNE 1948 7/

Market	June 1948	May 1948	June 1947
New York	80.26¢	80.12¢	63.32¢
Chicago	80.93¢	79.58¢	62.95¢

7/ Market News Service, Production and Marketing Administration.

PREVAILING PRICES OF STANDARD GRADE MILK 1/
DELIVERED TO HOMES IN 25 CITIES
July 1948 with comparisons 2/

(Cents per quart)

Market	July : 1948	June : 1948	July : 1947	July : 1942-46: Av.	Market	July : 1948	June : 1948	July : 1947	July : 1942-46: Av.
Boston, Mass.	22.5-23.0	21.5	20.0	16.5	Minneapolis, Minn. 3/	20.0	30.0	17.0	13.4
New Haven, Conn.	22.0	22.0	20.0	16.6	Kansas City, Mo.	20-21	19.5	16.5	15.2
New York, N. Y.	23.5	23.5	20.0	17.8	Omaha, Nebr.	19.0	19.0	17.0	13.8
Philadelphia, Pa.	20.5	19.5	19.0	15.0	Louisville, Ky.	21-22	21-22	19.0	16.4
Pittsburgh, Pa.	20.5	19.5	19.5	16.0	New Orleans, La.	22.0	22.0	20.0	15.7
Baltimore, Md.	20.0	20.0	19.0	14.8	Dallas, Tex.	21.0	21.0	19.0	15.0
Washington, D. C.	20-21	21.0	19.5	15.8	Denver, Colo.	20.0	19.0	18.0	14.0
Jacksonville, Fla.	26.0	26.0	22.0	19.2	Salt Lake City, Utah	19.0	18.0	17.0	13.4
Cleveland, Ohio	20.0	19.0	16.0	15.4	Seattle, Wash.	20.0	20.0	19.0	14.5
Indianapolis, Ind.	-	-	17.0	14.6	Portland, Ore.	19.0	19.0	17.0	14.5
Chicago, Ill.	23.0	22.0	20.5	16.9	San Francisco, Calif.	20.5	20.5	18.5	15.8
Detroit, Mich.	20.0	20.0	18.0	15.0	Los Angeles, Calif.	20.0	20.0	18.5	14.9
Milwaukee, Wis.	19.0	19.0	16.0	13.3	25 cities' average	20.8	20.5	18.5	15.3

1/ "Standard grade" refers to the grade of milk commonly sold in each market. Milk grades may vary from market to market because of variation of the factors which enter into grade determination.

2/ The prices listed are the latest prices reported to the Bureau up to the tenth of the month.

3/ 2¢ per quart discount for each additional quart on the same delivery.

In the Middle Atlantic area, no change in milk prices was reported from the important New York City market, but in upstate New York the Buffalo and Rochester areas reported increased prices effective July 1. Producer prices in both markets rose 40 cents per hundredweight, and retail prices rose one cent per quart.

The United States Department of Agriculture on July 6 recommended no change in the floor price of \$5.46 per hundredweight for Class I-A (fluid) milk in the New York market for July. Two alternative Class I-A prices, at levels higher than in July, were recommended to the industry by the Department for the period August through December. After consideration of any exceptions which may be filed, the Department will submit the proposed prices to producers and handlers for approval. In Pennsylvania, seasonal increases in milk prices occurred quite generally over the State on July 1, except in a few areas such as Scranton, Williamsport, and others which did not experience a seasonal price reduction on May 1. Milk prices were also increased in certain shore areas in New Jersey under orders issued by the New Jersey Director of Milk Control, but not, as yet, in the metropolitan area in northern New Jersey, which competes for milk supplies with the New York City market. Prices rose also in the Wilmington, Del. market July 1. The Pennsylvania Milk Commission scheduled public hearings about the middle of July in Philadelphia and in suburban Philadelphia to consider producer price changes and handlers' requests for a wider milk distributing margin.

In the East North Central area, price increases were reported from a number of markets. In the Chicago market, two price increases at retail levels occurred in succession. On July 1, a general increase of one-half cent per quart occurred in wholesale and retail prices and a similar increase occurred again on July 11. The Class I price in the market rose 23 cents per hundredweight on July 1. In Ohio, retail prices rose one cent per quart in Cleveland, Toledo, Gallipolis, Lima, and Sandusky, and two and one-half cents per quart in Portsmouth. In Ft. Wayne, Ind., the retail price rose one cent per quart. The producer price in that market for July will not be determined until early in August. Increased prices were reported

City	Dealers' buying prices F.O.B. City Class I Milk (3.5% fat basis)			Retail price per quart delivered to homes		
	July 1948 Dollars	June 1948 Dollars	July 1947 Dollars	July 1948 Cents	June 1948 Cents	July 1947 Cents
<u>New England: 1/</u>						
Augusta, Me.	5.79	5.44	-	21	20	-
Portland, Me.	5.90	5.55	-	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	-
Boston, Mass.	6.18	5.74	5.07	22 $\frac{1}{2}$ -23	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	20
Fall River, Mass.	6.47	6.03	5.36	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	19 $\frac{1}{2}$
Lowell-Lawrence, Mass.	6.18	5.74	5.05	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	19
Manchester & Nashua, N. H.	6.19	5.97	5.14	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	22	19
Portsmouth, N. H.	6.19	5.97	5.19	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	22	19
Newport, R. I.	6.91	6.51	-	24	23	-
Providence, R. I.	6.66	6.26	5.64	23	22	20
Bellows Falls, Vt.	5.43	5.44	4.61	21	20	18
<u>Middle Atlantic: 1/</u>						
Buffalo, N. Y.	5.80	5.40	5.00	22	21	18
Rochester, N. Y.	5.80	5.40	5.00	22	21	19
Johnstown, Pa.	5.25	4.92	4.95	20	19	19
McKeesport, Pa.	5.38	4.98	5.05	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	19 $\frac{1}{2}$
Philadelphia, Pa.	5.59	5.19	5.19	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	19
Pittsburgh, Pa.	5.38	4.98	5.05	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	19 $\frac{1}{2}$
<u>East North Central:</u>						
Chicago, Ill.	4.86	4.63	3.86	2/23	22	20 $\frac{1}{2}$
Fort Wayne, Ind.	-	4.70	3.56	3/20	19	16
Gary, Ind.	-	-	-	4/21 $\frac{1}{2}$	21	18
Lansing, Mich.	-	-	4.20	7/19	17	17
Cleveland, Ohio	5.31	5.28	4.15	5/20	19	16
Toledo, Ohio	-	5.21	4.13	6/21	20	18
Kenosha, Wis.	4.80	4.59	4.30	19	19	18
<u>West North Central:</u>						
Kansas City, Mo.	-	4.92	3.74	20-21	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	16 $\frac{1}{2}$
<u>East South Central:</u>						
Lexington, Ky.	4.75	4.50	4.05	21	21	18
<u>West South Central:</u>						
El Paso, Texas	7/6.10	5.65	5.40	22	21	20
<u>Mountain:</u>						
Denver, Colo.	7/4.97	4.80	4.62	20	19	18
Boise, Idaho	4.38	4.38	3.43	8/19	18	16
Salt Lake City, Utah	8/4.38	4.04	4.55	19	18	17

- 1/ All price changes in this area effective July 1.
2/ Effective July 11, from 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ which became effective July 1.
3/ Effective June 27. 4/ Effective July 3.
5/ Effective June 11. 6/ Effective June 15.
7/ Effective June 16. 8/ Effective July 1.

from several Wisconsin cities about the middle of June, too late for inclusion in the June report. A producer price increase of 32 cents per hundredweight, which occurred in the Detroit, Mich. market on June 10, was received too late for inclusion in the June report.

In the West North Central area, the Kansas City, Mo. market reported an increase of one-half to one and one-half cents per quart in retail prices. In St. Louis, a retail price increase was announced by one company which rescinded the increase shortly thereafter because competitors did not follow suit. In the East South Central area, the Lexington, Ky. market reported a producer price increase of 25 cents per hundredweight. From the West South Central area the El Paso, Texas

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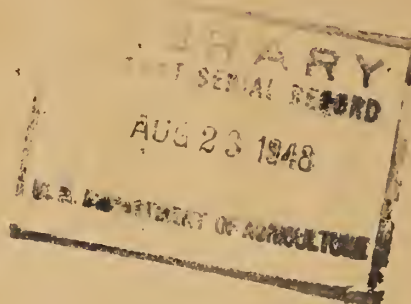
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market reported a producer increase of 45 cents per hundredweight and a retail increase of one cent per quart. The Denver and Salt Lake City markets in the Mountain area reported retail increases of one cent per quart and producer increases of 17 cents per hundredweight and 34 cents per hundredweight respectively. In Boise, Idaho a retail increase of one cent per quart occurred on July 1.

June milk production on United States farms on a seasonally adjusted basis was equivalent to a 117 billion pound annual rate, according to the United States Crop Reporting Board. Preliminary reports for a few scattered States in the Department's mid-year livestock survey indicate a continuation of the downtrend in numbers of milk cows on farms. Milk production per cow in crop correspondents' herds on July 1 averaged 19.15 pounds this year, compared with 19.35 pounds a year ago and a 1937-46 average of 17.5 pounds for the date. Continued strong demand for dairy products, with a smaller total milk supply than last year, has forced prices of all manufactured dairy products to levels substantially higher than a year ago. Competition for milk supplies among manufacturing plants is very keen and has been instrumental in causing widespread upturns in fluid milk prices.

A public hearing will be held July 21, 1948 on a proposed Federal marketing agreement and order to regulate milk handling in the Knoxville, Tenn. milk marketing area. The Knoxville Milk Producers Association requested the hearing. The Knoxville market is not now under Federal regulation. Producers and handlers have submitted proposals regarding classification, prices, and other matters.

At the request of producers supplying the Sioux City, Ia. and Omaha-Council Bluffs markets, public hearings to consider their proposals for increased prices of milk for use as fluid milk and fluid cream were held recently. Producers have requested increases in Class I and Class II differentials over basic milk prices. A public hearing was held on July 7 in St. Louis to consider a producer-proposed amendment to the Federal Order regulating milk handling in the St. Louis market. Producers have requested that a Class I price increase of 46 cents per hundredweight be made effective in any of the months of July through March if total deliveries of milk by producers during the preceding 12-month period fall below 130 percent of Class I sales by handlers in the St. Louis market. Under these conditions, the increase would amount to 46 cents per hundredweight for any of the months of July through December of each year and 23 cents per hundredweight during any of the months of January through March of each year.

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FLUID MILK PRICES IN CITY MARKETS

FOR AUGUST 1948

Prices received by producers for milk for fluid use and prices paid by consumers at retail in early August reached new record high levels, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported today. Increased prices were reported from all sections of the country. Milk production on United States farms in July was smaller than for the same month in 5 of the last 6 years, chiefly because of the smaller number of milk cows. Milk production per cow, however, continued at a high level. Increased competition for seasonally diminishing milk supplies was reported from both fluid milk and manufacturing milk areas. Prices of the major manufactured dairy products continued at high levels, although some declines occurred in butter and cheese prices.

Retail prices of standard milk delivered to homes in 24 major cities in early August averaged 21.3 cents per quart, one-half cent higher than in July and two and six-tenths cents per quart higher than in August a year ago. Retail delivered and producer milk prices increased early in August in about one in every three markets reporting, and increased prices in several additional markets were slated to go into effect later in the month. At \$5.29 per hundredweight, the milk dealers' average buying price for Class I milk of 3.5 percent butterfat content at local delivery points was 13 cents per hundredweight above the July average price and was 69 cents per hundredweight above the average of August 1947. For the second successive month since March of this year, both the average retail price and the average milk dealers' buying price were at new record high levels.

In the New England area, the Class I price in the Greater Boston market rose 22 cents per hundredweight on August 1 under the provisions of the pricing formula contained in Federal Order No. 4. Retail prices rose one-half cent per quart in the market on the same date. In northern New England, producer and retail prices rose quite generally on August 1 in line with the increase in producer prices in the Boston market. In Maine, the Milk Control Board ordered an increase of 24 cents per hundredweight in producer prices for fluid milk in practically all controlled market areas in the State. Simultaneous increases of one cent per quart were made in official minimum retail prices for milk delivered to homes and sold at stores. The Maine Milk Control Board in its order increasing wholesale prices of milk to stores held the increase to three-quarters of a cent per quart, thus increasing the store handling margin on fluid milk one-quarter cent per quart. In New Hampshire, the State Milk Control Board raised minimum producer prices for milk for fluid use 21 cents per hundredweight and minimum retail prices one-half cent per quart, effective August 1. The Vermont Milk Control Board in an action effective August 15 ordered that the minimum producer price in 54 controlled markets in the State shall be the Boston blended price for 3.7 percent milk in the 201-210 mile zone plus 25 cents per hundredweight. The minimum retail price to consumers was increased one cent per quart effective on the same date. In Connecticut, the State Milk Administrator announced on August 5 that a public hearing would be held in Hartford on August 16. The hearing was called to consider proposals submitted by milk producers that the Class I price under State Order No. I and the flat price under State Order No. III be increased. Changes were also proposed by milk producers in the number of months during which payments shall be made into and from the Production Incentive Fund.

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MARKETS	DEALERS' BUYING PRICES (F.O.B. CITY)				WHOLESALE				RETAIL				Fat test of milk most commonly sold by dealers
	Used for FLUID MILK 1/		Used for FLUID CREAM		In bulk 5-20 gal. lots per gal.	Delivered to homes		Stores		Fat test of milk most commonly sold by dealers			
	Paid for basic fat test per cwt. Dollars	Allowance 1/10% butterfat Cents	Paid for or adjusted to 3.5% fat per cwt. Dollars	3.5% fat basis per cwt. Dollars		Per single quart Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	Per single quart Cents		2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	
Alabama (S)	6.75	4	7.0	6.40	-	21½	24	-	24	-	-	3.7	
Birmingham	D.R.	-	14.5	5.08	59	16	19	36-37	17½-18	34-35	-	3.5	
Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	18	20	40	20	40	-	3.5-3.8	
Phoenix	5.80	4	10.0	5.30	76	19½	22	-	22	-	-	3.5-4.0	
Tucson	5.05	3.8	10-13	-	64-65	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Arkansas	5.46	3.8	11-15	5.11	60-61	16¾	20	40	19	38	-	3.5	
California(S)	5.13	3.8	10-14	-	63	17	20	40	19	38	-	-	
Fresno	5.56	3.8	11-15	-	60-61	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Los Angeles	5.32	3.8	10-15	4.98	62-63	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	3.6	
Sacramento	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
San Diego	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
San Francisco	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Santa Barbara	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Colorado	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Colorado Springs	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Denver	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Connecticut(S)	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Hartford	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Dist. of Columbia	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Washington	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Florida(S)	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Jacksonville	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Miami	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Idaho	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Boise	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Illinois	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Alton	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Chicago(F)	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Rock Island	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Springfield	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Indiana	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Evansville	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Ft. Wayne(F)	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	
Gary	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	19½	39	-	-	

DEALERS' BUYING PRICES (F.O.B. CITY)

SELLING PRICES 2/

MARKETS	Used for FLUID MILK 1/				Used for FLUID CREAM 3.5% fat basis per cwt. Dollars	WHOLESALE				RETAIL				Fat test of milk most commonly sold by dealers Percent
	Paid for milk of basic fat test per cwt. Dollars	Basic fat test Pct.	Allowance 1/10% butterfat Cents	Paid for or adjusted to 3.5% fat per cwt. Dollars		In bulk 5-20 gal. lots per gal. Cents	Bottled per quart Cents	Delivered to homes		Stores				
								Per single quart Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	Per single quart Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	
New Jersey														
Atlantic City	6.06	3.5	6.0	6.06	-	78-82	22½	25	-	24	-	-	-	3.5-4.0
Newark	6.06	3.5	6.0	6.06	-	74	19½	8/25	-	8/23	-	-	-	3.5-4.0
New York														
Albany			Not determined											
Buffalo(S)	5.80	3.5	7.0	5.80	9/4.15	74-76	20	22	-	4/22-23	-	-	-	-
New York(F-S)	10/6.52-6.76	3.5	4.0	6.52-6.76	-	74	18½	22	-	20-21	-	-	-	3.6
Rochester(S)	5.80	3.5	7.0	5.80	9/4.30	72-78	19-21	24½	48	20-23	-	-	-	-
North Carolina										4/21-22	-	-	-	3.6-3.9
Biltmore	6.40	4	3.0	6.25	6.25	82	22	24	-	24	-	-	-	3.79
Durham	6.20	4	5.0	5.95	-	75	21	23	-	23	-	-	-	4.0
Winston-Salem	6.40	4	5.0	6.15	-	80	22	24	-	24	-	-	-	4.0
North Dakota														
Fargo	D.R.	-	13.5	4.72	4.72	66	17	19	-	19	-	-	-	3.5-3.8
Grand Forks	4.40	3.5	-	4.40	-	60	16	18	-	18	-	-	-	-
Ohio														
Alcon	6.00	3.5	-	6.00	5.45	72	19½	22	-	22	-	-	-	3.7
Canton	5.90	3.5	-	5.90	5.20	-	19½	22	-	22	-	-	-	3.5
Cincinnati(F)			Not determined											3.7
Cleveland(F)	5.85	3.5	-	5.85	-	72	18	21	-	21	-	-	-	3.7
Columbus(F)			Not determined											3.5
Dayton(F)			Not determined											3.8
Toledo(F)			Not determined											3.8
Oklahoma														3.6
Oklahoma City	5.15	4	7.0	4.80	3.45	-	17½	20	-	19-20	-	-	-	3.7
Tulsa	5.15	4	10.0	4.65	4.65	63	17½	20	-	19-20	39-39	-	-	3.6
Oregon														
Klamath Falls	11/	-	11.5	5.42	-	72	18	20	40	20	40	80	80	3.2-3.8
Portland	II/	-	11.6	5.64	5.64	74	18½	20½	-	20½-21	-	-	-	3.4-3.8
Pennsylvania(S)														
Johnstown	5.50	4	6.0	5.20	-	-	18½	20	-	20	-	-	-	3.7
McKeesport	5.63	4	5.0	5.38	5.17	74	19	20½	-	20½	-	-	-	3.7
Philadelphia(F)	5.90	4	10.5 est.	5.38	-	71-73	18-18¼	20½	-	19½	-	-	-	3.7-4.0
Pittsburgh	5.63	4	5.0	5.38	5.17	-	19	20½	-	20½	-	-	-	-
Rhode Island(S)														
Providence	6.88	3.7	11.2 est.	6.66	3/4.61	76	20	23	-	22	-	-	-	3.7

South Dakota	4.50	3.5	5.0	4.50	-	60	16	19	-	19	-	-	3.5
Aberdeen	4.80	3.5	8.0	4.80	-	60	17	19	-	19	-	-	3.5-3.6
Sioux Falls	5.50	4	5.0	5.25	-	65-68	18	4/20-21	38	4/20-21	38	-	3.8
Knoxville	6.26	4	9.0	5.81	-	62	17 1/2	20	-	20	-	-	4.0
Memphis	-	Not determined	-	-	-	-	18	20	-	-	-	-	3.8
Nashville(F)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Texas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dallas	5.90	4	8.0	5.50	-	-	18	21	-	20	-	-	3.85
El Paso	6.35	4	5.0	6.10	-	-	19 1/2	22	-	22	-	-	3.7
Houston	6.90	4	10.0	6.40	-	-	20	23	44	-	-	-	3.7
Utah	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salt Lake City	12/5.005	3.5	11.0	5.00	-	63	16	19	38	-	18	36	3.5
Vermont(S)	13/5.60 est.	3.7	10.8	5.38	-	72	20	22	-	-	22	-	4.0
Bellevue Falls	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Virginia	5.98	3.7	5.0	5.88	4.11	70	20	21	-	-	21	-	3.7
Washington	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bremerton	5.60	4	10.0	5.10	5.10	68	17 1/2	20	-	-	19 1/2	-	3.8
Seattle	5.72	4	10.8	5.18	5.18	68	17 1/2	20	-	-	19	-	3.5
West Virginia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charleston	5.90	3.5	6.0	5.90	5.60	-	20 1/2	23	-	-	23	-	3.8
Wheeling	5.60	4	8.0	5.20	4.35	-	16 1/2	21	-	-	21	-	4.0
Wisconsin	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beloit	4.863	3.5	9.5	4.86	4.56	68	17 1/2	20	-	-	20	-	3.6
Kenosha	5.18	3.5	5.0	5.18	5.18	72	18	20	-	-	20	-	3.6
Madison	4.90	3.5	6.0	4.90	4.55	64	17	19	-	-	19	-	3.8
Milwaukee	5.30	3.5	7.0	5.30	-	70	18	20 1/2	41	-	19-20 1/2	41	3.5
Racine	-	-	-	-	-	68	17 1/2	20	39	-	19 1/2	39	3.6
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cheyenne	D.R.	-	15.0	5.25	-	60	16 1/2	19	-	-	19	-	3.5

(S) Under State Control Board. Where only State is marked, all cities shown are under State Control Board.

(F) Under Federal Control.

D.R. Indicates that payment is made in direct ratio to butterfat content.

1/ Buying prices f.o.b. city for milk used in fluid form for city distribution; either (a) prices paid for Class I milk, (b) paid for base amounts from individual producers.

2/ Selling prices are for that quality of milk commonly sold in specified markets. 3/ July price. 4/ The higher price is for milk in paper containers. 5/ 1¢ per quart discount on a purchase of 3 or more single quarts.

6/ 2¢ per quart discount on purchase of 2 or more single quarts. 7/ Combined price for milk used as fluid milk and fluid cream. 8/ Effective August 4. July prices should have been 23 1/2¢ to homes and 22¢ out of stores. 9/ Does not include skim milk differential. July differential was 61¢ and 68¢ for Buffalo and Rochester respectively. 10/ 200-mile zone price +31 1/2¢ to 36¢ freight +30¢ to 50¢ country station handling charges.

11/ Prevailing prices for Klamath Falls and Portland markets respectively, are \$1.15 and \$1.16 per pound butterfat plus \$1.40 and \$1.58 per hundredweight of milk purchased. 12/ Effective August 1. Direct ratio to 3.5 percent butterfat test. Deduction for seasonal take-out ended. 13/ July estimated price \$5.40 not \$5.65 as shown on July report. 14/ 18¢ per quart at one chain store for purchase of 4 or more quarts.

July 1948 Prices (Not available when the July report was published)

MARKETS	DEALERS' BUYING PRICES (F.O.B. CITY)					WHOLESALE					RETAIL					Fat test of milk most commonly sold by dealers
	Used for FLUID MILK			Used for FLUID CREAM 3.5% fat basis per cwt.	In bulk 5-20 gal. lots per gal.	Bottled per quart	Delivered to homes		Stores		4-qt. con- tainers					
	Paid for milk of basic fat test per cwt.	Basic fat test Pct.	Allow- ance 1/10% fat butter- Cents				Paid for or adjust- ed to 3.5% fat per cwt.	Dollars	Dollars	Per single quart Cents		2-qt. con- tainers Cents	4-qt. con- tainers Cents			
Rock Island, Ill. 1/	4.756	3.5	-	4.76	4.61	62	16	19	-	18 1/2-19	-	-	-	3.5-3.6		
Port Wayne, Ind. 4	5.70	4	10.2	5.19	-	70	17 1/2	20	-	19-20	-	-	-	3.6		
South Bend, Ind. 1/	4.559	3.5	9.5	4.56	4.56	65	17 3/4	20	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Sioux City, Iowa	4.89	3.5	9.5	4.89	4.59	64	17	37	72	18-19	-	-	-	3.3-3.6		
Des Moines, Iowa	5.00	3.5	8.5	5.00	-	66	17	19	-	19	-	-	-	3.7		
Wichita, Kans.	5.320	3.8	9.5	5.04	-	-	18	20	-	19-20	-	-	-	3.4-3.6		
Louisville, Ky.	5.695	3.8	10.2	5.39	4.85	68-72	18 1/2-19 1/2	21-22	-	21-22	-	-	-	3.8		
New Orleans, La.	6.066	4	-	5.55	4.39	72	19	22	-	21	-	-	-	4.0		
Lansing, Mich. 1/	4.45	3.5	7.0	4.45	4.15	-	16 1/2	2/19	-	19	-	-	-	3.5-3.6		
Minneapolis, Minn.	5.061	3.5	10.2	5.06	-	63	17	20	-	17 1/2-19	-	-	-	3.5		
St. Paul, Minn.	5.061	3.5	10.2	5.06	-	65	16 1/2	19-20	-	19	-	-	-	3.5		
Kansas City, Mo.	5.27	3.8	10.5	4.96	-	64	17	20-21	-	18-21	-	-	-	3.5-3.8		
St. Louis, Mo.	5.683	3.5	9.5	5.68	4.88	72-76	18-19 1/2	20 1/2-21 1/2	39-41	20 1/2-21 1/2	39-41	79-80	-	3.6		
Omaha, Nebr.	5.19	3.8	-	4.87	4.51	64	16 1/2	19	37	18-19	35-37	-	-	-		
Albuquerque, N. Mex.	D.R.	-	16.5	5.78	-	70	18	20	-	20	-	-	-	3.8-3.9		
Albany, N.Y. 1/	5.80	3.5	7.4	5.80	4.50	74-76	20	22	-	22-23	-	-	-	3.7		
Baltimore, N. C.	6.00	3.5-4	3/	6.00	6.00	74	20	22	-	22	-	-	-	3.8		
Cincinnati, Ohio	6.02	4	9.46	4/5.55	-	72	18	21	-	21	-	-	-	3.6		
Columbus, Ohio	5.362	3.5	9.5	5.36	5.11	65	17	19	-	19	-	-	-	3.8		
Dayton, Ohio	5.413	3.5	-	5.41	5.11	72	19	21	-	21	-	-	-	3.8		
Toledo, Ohio	5.411	3.5	10.2	5.41	4.71	70	18 1/2	21	-	21	-	-	-	3.6		
Nashville, Tenn.	6.086	4	11.0	5.54	-	62	18	20	-	19-20	-	-	-	3.8		
Ogden, Utah 1/	4.04	3.5	-	4.04	-	63	15 1/4	18	35	-	-	-	-	3.5		
Milwaukee, Wis. 5/	5.00	3.5	7.0	5.00	-	64	16 3/4	19	-	17 1/2-19	-	-	-	3.5-3.6		
Oshkosh, Wis. 1/	4.35	3.5	-	4.35	-	64	16	18	-	18	-	-	-	4.0		
Cheyenne, Wyo.	D.R.	-	14.5	5.08	-	60	16 1/2	19	-	19	-	-	-	3.5		
Rock Island, Ill.	5.231	3.5	-	5.23	5.08	66	17 1/2	20	-	19 1/2-20	-	-	-	3.4		
Akron, Ohio	5.30	3.5	-	5.30	-	64	17 1/2	20	-	20	-	-	-	3.7		
1/ All prices for June. 2/ Effective June 16. 3/ 5/ paid if over 4 percent and 3/4 deducted if under 3.5 percent.																
4/ June: price \$5.34 not \$4.34 as shown on July report. 5/ Effective July 16.																

1/ All prices for June. 2/ Effective June 16. 3/ 5¢ paid if over 4 percent and 3¢ deducted if under 3.5 percent.

4/ June price \$5.34 not \$4.34 as shown on July report. 5/ Effective July 16.

DEALERS' BUYING PRICES FOR STANDARD GRADE MILK
USED FOR CITY DISTRIBUTION AS MILK AND CREAM (3.5% BUTTERFAT BASIS)
PER HUNDREDWEIGHT

By geographic divisions, for delivery F.O.B. local shipping
point or country plant, August 1948 with comparisons 1/

Division 2/	August 1948			Prices compared for same markets			
	Markets	Range	Average	Markets	August 1948	July 1948	August 1947
	Number	Dollars	Dollars	Number	average Dollars	average Dollars	average Dollars
New England	15	5.38-6.56	6.15	15	6.15	*5.98	5.32
Middle Atl'c.	13	4.61-5.91	5.46	13	5.46	5.31	4.93
E.N.Central	23	4.47-5.73	5.00	23	5.00	4.76	4.03
W.N.Central	18	4.15-5.46	4.73	18	4.73	*4.64	3.82
S.Atlantic	20	4.37-7.31	5.74	20	5.74	5.65	5.30
E.S.Central	8	4.85-6.35	5.40	8	5.40	*5.29	4.57
W.S.Central	8	4.45-6.15	5.30	8	5.30	5.29	4.70
Mountain	9	4.25-5.53	4.71	9	4.71	4.55	4.31
Pacific	9	4.59-5.34	4.94	9	4.94	4.92	4.61
UNITED STATES	123	4.15-7.31	5.29	123	5.29	*5.16	4.60

* Revised.

By cities where part of milk is purchased through country stations
August 1948 3/

City	Buying price for raw milk (flat price or 3.5% fat basis)		Freight zone or rate per cwt. to which country station prices apply
	F.O.B. City per cwt.	At country stations per cwt.	
	Dollars	Dollars	
Boston, Mass.	4/ 6.39	5.87	191-210 mile zone
New York, N. Y.	5/ 6.52-6.76	5.90	201-210 mile zone (31 1/2¢ rate)
Philadelphia, Pa.	5.38	5.04	61-70 mile zone
Pittsburgh, Pa.	5.38	5.06	All beyond 65 miles
Baltimore, Md.	5.78	5.47	All beyond 20 miles
Washington, D. C.	6.13	5.95	All beyond 35 miles
Birmingham, Ala.	6.40	5.90	30¢ rate

1/ Not including prices where milk is purchased on the basis of current butter quotations, but including "flat prices" where such apply, also "basic prices" where a surplus or pooling plan is in effect.

2/ New England - Maine, N. H., Vt., Mass., R. I., Conn.: Middle Atlantic - N. Y., N. J., Pa.: E. North Central - Ohio, Ind., Ill., Mich., Wis.: W. North Central - Minn., Iowa, Mo., N. D., S. D., Nebr., Kans.: South Atlantic - Del., Md., D. C., Va., W. Va., N. C., S. C., Ga., Fla.: E. South Central - Ky., Tenn., Ala., Miss., W. South Central - Ark., La., Okla., Tex.: Mountain - Wyo., Colo., N. Mex., Idaho, Ariz., Utah, Nev., Montana: Pacific - Wash., Oreg., Calif.

3/ Price paid for milk sold in fluid form for city distribution. See also note 1/ on page 5.

4/ Adjusted to 3.5% basis by use of estimated butterfat differential.

5/ 200-mile zone price +31 1/2¢ to 36¢ freight +30¢ to 50¢ country station handling charges.

PRICES FOR SPECIAL GRADES OF MILK, COTTAGE CHEESE AND CREAM 1/

CITIES	Special grade of milk retail per quart	Certified milk retail per quart	Cottage cheese (creamed) retail per pound	TABLE CREAM		WHIPPING CREAM			
				Wholesale per gal.	Retail		Wholesale per gal.	Retail	
					To Homes	At Stores		To Homes	At Stores
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Dollars	Cents	Cents	Dollars	Cents	Cents
Albany, N. Y.	23-25	26	25	2.52-2.68	-	24	4.80	-	40
Baltimore, Md.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$ -22 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	2/24	2.77	-	26	4.88	-	39
Birmingham, Ala.	25	-	-	-	42	22	-	63	34
Boise, Idaho	-	-	23	2.50	-	23	-	-	40
Boston, Mass.	26-26 $\frac{1}{2}$	30 $\frac{1}{2}$	28	2.58 $\frac{1}{2}$ -2.62 $\frac{1}{2}$	42	23	4.47 $\frac{1}{2}$	66	34
Buffalo, N. Y.	23-24	-	2/18	3.00	47	23	4.75	68	36
Cheyenne, Wyo.	-	-	2/18	-	38	20	-	76	40
Chicago, Ill.	26-28	28	2/25	2.99-3.13	55	29	4.84	-	38-39
Dallas, Texas	22	-	2/20	-	-	20	-	-	30
Denver, Colo.	21	-	2/22	2.79	-	23	4.94	-	38
Duluth, Minn.	-	26	2/18	2.60	-	-	3.70	55-57	45
El Paso, Texas	24	27	-	-	46	24	-	-	38-39
Hartford, Conn.	23-25	-	2/22	-	-	28	5.00	-	42
Jacksonville, Fla.	27-28	24-25	28	3.20	-	21	3.76-4.38	31-35	31-33
Los Angeles, Calif.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$ -22 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	2.48-2.50	40	20	5.24	39	35-39
Kansas City, Mo.	-	-	-	2.42	-	20-21	5.00	42	32-32 $\frac{1}{2}$
Miami, Fla.	27	28	2/20	3.20	56	28	4.15	82	25
Milwaukee, Wis.	23	24	2/22-23	2.80	-	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	3.33	48	30
Minneapolis, Minn.	21-22	-	2/20-21	2.60	36	20	4.00	-	26
Nashville, Tenn.	21	-	27	2.50	-	22	3.36	-	33-39
New Orleans, La.	24-25	28	2/23	2.68	-	21	4.64	-	36-37
New York, N. Y.	26 $\frac{1}{2}$ -27	28-32 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	2.60	-	26 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	43
Omaha, Nebr.	20-21	29 $\frac{1}{2}$ -30 $\frac{1}{2}$	2/18	2.71	-	21	4.96-5.68	80	32
Philadelphia, Pa.	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	2.72-2.80	45	24	4.04	62	28-31
Pittsburgh, Pa.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$ -22 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	25	3.08	45	24	5.08	74	38
Portland, Ore.	22 $\frac{1}{2}$ -24 $\frac{1}{2}$	27	-	2.96	38-41	20-22	4.20	54-58	-
Providence, R. I.	24-25	-	-	2.71 $\frac{1}{2}$	47	25 $\frac{1}{2}$	5.08	61	42
Richmond, Va.	22-23	-	2/25	2.50	44	24	3.88	79	37-38
Rochester, N. Y.	23-24	-	2/19	2.92	49	27	5.30	81	32
Salt Lake City, Utah	21	-	25	2.60	44	28	4.20	64	36-38
Seattle, Wash.	23	-	2/23	2.66	41	23	4.00	56	34-36
Sioux City, Ia.	20	-	2/18	2.56	-	21	4.54	-	38
St. Louis, Mo.	23 $\frac{1}{2}$ -24 $\frac{1}{2}$	28 $\frac{1}{2}$	2/23	2.95	-	24-26	-	-	34-36
Wheeling, W. Va.	23-23	-	-	-	39	22	-	-	38
Washington, D. C.	22-23	-	2/23-25	2.44-2.56	37-39	20 $\frac{1}{2}$ -21 $\frac{1}{2}$	4.96	76-82	39-41

1/ Reported wholesale and retail prices of products, delivered to wholesale buyers' places of business, to homes of retail customers, and sold through stores as indicated. Special grades refer to milk of different quality than that commonly sold in cities designated.

2/ Prices for 12 oz. package.

NET PRICES PAID MEMBERS OF PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATIONS 1/

City	Last net blended prices paid for 3.5% milk 2/ per cwt.		Previously announced dealers' buying prices for same period	
	Dollars	Month	Basic or Class I Per cwt. Dollars.	Surplus price (paid on current butter market except as noted.)
Hartford, New Haven				
Bridgeport, Conn.	3/5.43	June	6.38	
Washington, D. C.	3/4.85	June	6.13	
Chicago, Ill.	4/4.45	June	4.63	All milk pooled.
Louisville, Ky.	5.02	July	5.39	
Baltimore, Md.	5.37	June	5.65	
Boston, Mass.	5/4.59	June	5.22	
Detroit, Mich.	4.79	June	4.90	
St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn.	4.71	July	5.06	All milk pooled.
St. Louis, Mo.	-	June	5.04	
New York, N. Y.	6/4.70-4.76	June	5.46	
Akron, Ohio	4.80	June	4.80	
Canton, Ohio	4.75	June	5.30	
Cincinnati, Ohio	4.75	June	5.34	
Cleveland, Ohio	4.86	June	5.28	
Columbus, Ohio	4.92	June	5.16	
Dayton, Ohio	4.86	June	5.21	
Toledo, Ohio	4.95	June	5.21	
Philadelphia, Pa.	4.93est.	June	5.19	
Pittsburgh, Pa.	4.46	June	4.98	
Providence, R. I.	6.15	June	6.26	
Richmond, Va.	5.75	June	5.88	
Seattle, Wash.	4.54	June	5.18	
Charleston, W. Va.	5.55	June	5.60	
Milwaukee, Wis.	4.75	July	4.80(1-15) 5.00(16-31)	

1/ Net prices reported paid to members of producers' associations supplying the cities listed. Dealers' buying prices announced in advance for such cities are usually of two classes: (a) prices paid for base amounts for individual producers or prices paid for Class I milk, and (b) prices paid for surplus milk. The former applies to that portion of the milk used in fluid form for city wholesale and retail trade, and the latter to that portion classed as "surplus" used for manufacturing purposes. 2/ F.O.B. city unless otherwise indicated. 3/ Net price after deduction of 50¢ per hundredweight for "Fall Production Premium Fund". 4/ 70-mile zone. 5/ 191-210 mile zone. 6/ 201-210 mile zone.

AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES 92 SCORE BUTTER JULY 1948 7/

Market	July 1948	June 1948	July 1947
New York	78.55¢	80.26¢	67.39¢
Chicago	78.83¢	80.93¢	67.99¢

7/ Market News Service, Production and Marketing Administration.

PREVAILING PRICES OF STANDARD GRADE MILK 1/
DELIVERED TO HOMES IN 25 CITIES
August 1948 with comparisons 2/

(Cents per quart)

Market	: Aug. : : 1948 :	July : : 1948 :	: Aug. : : 1947 :	: Aug. : : 1942-46 :	Market	: Aug. : : 1948 :	July : : 1948 :	: Aug. : : 1947 :	: Aug. : : 1942-46 :
				Av.					Av.
Boston, Mass.	23.0-23.5	22.5-23.0	21.0	16.5	Minneapolis, Minn.	3/20.0	20.0	18.0	13.4
New Haven, Conn.	22.0	22.0	20.0	16.6	Kansas City, Mo.	20-21	20-21	17.0	15.2
New York, N. Y.	24.5	23.5	21.0	17.8	Omaha, Nebr.	19.0	19.0	17.0	13.8
Philadelphia, Pa.	20.5	20.5	19.0	15.0	Louisville, Ky.	21-22	21-22	19.0	16.4
Pittsburgh, Pa.	20.5	20.5	19.5	16.0	New Orleans, La.	23.0	22.0	20.0	16.4
Baltimore, Md.	20.5	20.0	19.0	15.0	Dallas, Tex.	21.0	21.0	19.0	15.4
Washington, D. C.	20-21	20-21	19.5	15.8	Denver, Colo.	20.0	20.0	18.0	14.0
Jacksonville, Fla.	26.0	26.0	22.0	19.4	Salt Lake City, Utah	19.0	19.0	17.0	13.4
Cleveland, Ohio	22.0	20.0	16.0	15.4	Seattle, Wash.	20.0	20.0	19.0	14.5
Indianapolis, Ind.	-	-	17.0	14.6	Portland, Ore.	20.5	19.0	17.0	14.5
Chicago, Ill.	24.0	23.0	20.5	16.9	San Francisco, Calif.	20.5	20.5	18.5	15.8
Detroit, Mich.	21.0	20.0	18.0	15.4	Los Angeles, Calif.	20.0	20.0	18.5	14.9
Milwaukee, Wis.	20.5	19.0	16.0	13.3	25 cities' average	21.3	20.8	18.7	15.4

1/ "Standard grade" refers to the grade of milk commonly sold in each market. Milk grades may vary from market to market because of variation of the factors which enter into grade determination.

2/ The prices listed are the latest prices reported to the Bureau up to the tenth of the month.

3/ 2¢ per quart discount for each additional quart on the same delivery.

In the Middle Atlantic Area the Class I-A (fluid milk) price in the New York City market rose 44 cents per hundredweight on August 1. Retail delivered milk prices rose one cent per quart and retail prices at most stores also rose one cent per quart. It was reported from the market, however, that some irregularity in retail milk prices at stores had developed recently. Some stores were selling milk at lower prices than those reflecting the customary relationship between the Class I-A price and retail store prices. The producer price increase occurred under an amendment to the Federal Order regulating the handling of milk in the New York market. Under the provisions of this amendment, alternate minimum Class I-A prices were established for the months of August and September and for the October-December period. For August and September, a fixed price of \$5.68 for 3.5 percent milk in the 200-mile zone was provided with the alternative that if a price 19 cents per hundredweight less than the Boston 200-mile zone Class I price was higher, the higher price should prevail.

The announced August price for Boston was \$6.09 per hundredweight for 3.7 percent milk, in the 201-210 mile zone, resulting in a New York 200-mile zone price of \$5.90 per hundredweight for 3.5 percent milk. For the October-December period, the same price relationship with Boston and a fixed alternative price of \$6.12 per hundredweight are provided. Corresponding price increases at producer and retail levels were reported from some upstate New York cities. No price changes occurred in the Rochester and Buffalo markets early in August, but official hearings were held to consider producer proposals for Class I and Class II-A price increases for September and October.

In the Philadelphia market, the United States Department of Agriculture established a minimum Class I price for August and September at \$5.90 per hundredweight for 4 percent milk f.o.b. Philadelphia, and \$6.30 per hundredweight for October through December 1948. No retail price changes occurred since the prevailing price in the market (\$5.84 per hundredweight), established by the Pennsylvania Milk Commission,

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City	Dealers' buying prices F.O.B. City Class I Milk (3.5% fat basis)			Retail price per quart delivered to homes		
	Aug. 1948	July 1948	Aug. 1947	Aug. 1948	July 1948	Aug. 1947
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Cents	Cents	Cents
<u>New England: 1/</u>						
Augusta, Me.	6.03	5.79	-	22	21	-
Portland, Me.	6.14	5.90	-	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	-
Boston, Mass.	6.39	6.18	5.49	23-23 $\frac{1}{2}$	22 $\frac{1}{2}$ -23	21
Fall River, Mass.	6.68	6.47	5.78	23	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$
Lowell-Lawrence, Mass.	6.39	6.18	5.49	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	21
Manchester & Nashua, N. H.	6.40	6.19	5.56	23	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	21
Portsmouth, N. H.	6.40	6.19	-	23	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	-
Bellows Falls, Vt.	5.38	2/5.18	5.04	22	21	19
<u>Middle Atlantic:</u>						
Atlantic City, N. J.	3/6.03	5.60	5.12	4/25	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$
Newark, N. J.	3/6.06	5.60	5.12	25	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$
New York, N. Y.	5/6.52-6.76	6.08-6.32	5.64-5.88	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	21
<u>East North Central:</u>						
Alton, Ill.	-	-	-	20	19	18
Chicago, Ill.	5.26	4.86	4.15	5/24	23	20 $\frac{1}{2}$
Springfield, Ill.	5/4.50	4.20	3.75	21	20	18
Evansville, Ind.	5/4.74	4.41	3.94	-	19	17
Fort Wayne, Ind.	-	5.19	4.21	6/21	20	17
Gary, Ind.	-	-	-	23	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	19
Detroit, Mich.	5.54	5.22	4.60	7/21	20	18
Grand Rapids, Mich.	5/5.05	4.75	4.15	20	19	17
Akron, Ohio	5/6.00	5.30	4.00	22	20	17
Canton, Ohio	5/5.90	5.30	4.65	22	20	18
Cleveland, Ohio	5.85	5.31	4.45	8/22	20	16
Columbus, Ohio	-	5.36	4.43	8/20	19	17
Toledo, Ohio	-	5.41	4.40	5/22	21	18
Beloit, Wis.	4.86	4.71	3.86	20	20	17
Kenosha, Wis.	5/5.18	4.80	4.30	20	19	18
Madison, Wis.	9/4.90	4.80	4.30	19	18	17
Milwaukee, Wis.	5/5.30	9/5.00	4.20	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	19	16
Racine, Wis.	-	-	-	8/20	19	17
<u>West North Central:</u>						
Sioux City, Iowa	-	4.89	4.27	10/20	19	17
St. Louis, Mo.	-	5.68	4.49	11/22 $\frac{1}{2}$ -23 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$ -21 $\frac{1}{2}$	20-20 $\frac{1}{2}$
St. Joseph, Mo.	5.12	4.91	3.90	20	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	16
<u>South Atlantic:</u>						
Baltimore, Md.	12/5.78	5.65	5.30	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	18
Biltmore, N. C.	5/6.25	6.00	5.30	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	22	20
Durham, N. C.	5.95	5.75	5.25	23	22	20
Winston-Salem, N.C.	5/6.15	5.75	5.35	13/24	22	20
Charleston, W. Va.	14/5.90	5.60	5.30	23	22	20
Wheeling, W. Va.	12/5.20	4.90	4.70	21	20	19
<u>East South Central:</u>						
Memphis, Tenn.	5/5.21	5.31	5.01	20	18	17
<u>West South Central:</u>						
New Orleans, La.	-	5.55	4.76	23	22	20
<u>Mountain:</u>						
Cheyenne, Wyo.	5.25	5.08	4.44	19	19	17
<u>Pacific:</u>						
Portland, Ore.	5/5.64	5.42	4.70	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	19	17

1/ All price changes in this area effective August 1. 5/ Effective August 1. 6/ Effective July 25.
 2/ Corrected July estimated price. 7/ Effective August 6. 8/ Effective about
 3/ Effective August 4. 4/ Effective July 17. July 15. 9/ Effective July 16.
 10/ Effective August 9. 11/ Effective July 7. 12/ Effective July 19. 13/ Effective Aug. 10. 14/ Effective
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was nearly identical with the Federal Order minimum price at the prevailing butterfat content of standard fluid milk handled by distributors. On August 20, however, statewide increases in fluid milk prices at both producer and retail levels are slated to become effective under orders issued by the Pennsylvania Milk Commission. The increases are reported to be 40 cents per hundredweight in producer prices and one and one-half cents per quart at wholesale and retail. These price changes were ordered by the Pennsylvania Milk Commission after extensive hearings.

On August 4, the base Class I-price to producers in New Jersey was increased 46 cents per hundredweight to \$6.06 for 3.5 percent milk by order of the New Jersey Director of Milk Control. A retail price increase of one and one-half cents per quart was put into effect on the same date by several milk distributors for home-delivered milk, but in some parts of northern New Jersey the retail store price rose but one cent per quart. No increases in official minimum wholesale and retail prices were reported.

In the South Atlantic Area, price increases were reported from Baltimore and several markets in North Carolina. Prices were also increased in the Charleston and Wheeling, West Virginia markets and in the Norfolk-Portsmouth, Virginia market. The retail price increases ranged from one-half cent per quart in Baltimore to 2 cents per quart in Baltimore and Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Reported increases in producer prices ranged from 13 cents per hundredweight in the Baltimore market to 40 cents per hundredweight in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

In the East North Central Area, the important Chicago market reported a producer price increase of 40 cents per hundredweight and a retail increase of one cent per quart. The Akron and Cleveland, Ohio markets reported retail increases of two cents per quart effective July 15 in Cleveland and August 1 in Akron. Producer prices were substantially higher in both markets. In Akron, however, a downward adjustment in the retail price was made by one dealer several days after the price increase was made effective. It is not known at this date whether any other retail price adjustments have been made in the market. Producer and retail price increases were also reported from several other markets in this area, including, but not limited to Detroit, Indianapolis, Canton, Ohio and Springfield, Illinois. Several Wisconsin markets also reported producer and retail price increases. The Milwaukee market reported a total retail increase of one and one-half cents per quart between July and August and a total producer increase of 50 cents per hundredweight.

In the West North Central area, price increases were reported from St. Louis and St. Joseph, Mo. and from Sioux City, Iowa. Early in the month, the St. Louis retail price situation was unsettled. A short-lived increase in home-delivered prices of one cent per quart occurred on August 9 and was rescinded on August 10. Wholesale and retail store prices were reduced two cents per quart on August 9.

The Memphis, Tenn. market reported a 50-cent increase in hundredweight producer prices on August 1 and a simultaneous retail increase of two cents per quart. The retail price also rose one cent per quart in the New Orleans market, but the August producer price is not yet known. In the Cheyenne, Wyo. market the producer price rose 17 cents per hundredweight. No change in retail prices was reported. In Oregon, the State Milk Control Section increased producer and retail prices in the Portland market effective August 1. The retail price was raised one and one-half cents per quart and the producer price, on a 3.5 percent butterfat basis, rose 22 cents per hundredweight. Simultaneously, the maximum permissible butterfat content of fluid milk in the three different butterfat grades was reduced. The maximum butterfat content of standard milk was reduced from 4.2 to 3.8 percent, and reductions were also made in the permissible maximum butterfat content of premium milk.

With the beginning of the seasonal decline in milk production, there has occurred a reappearance of so-called premium price payments. In the Cleveland, Ohio market, milk distributors will pay producers a higher price for August milk than the minimum specified in the Federal Milk Order effective in that market. So-called quantity premiums are also being employed more extensively in that market in the competition for milk supplies. Milk production on United States farms in July totaled 11.6 billion pounds, 4 percent below that in the same month a year ago, according to the Crop Reporting Board.

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FLUID MILK PRICES IN CITY MARKETS

FOR SEPTEMBER 1948

Prices received by producers for milk for fluid use and prices paid by consumers at retail early in September continued to set new record high levels, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported today. Increased prices were reported from all sections of the country except the East South Central and Pacific Coast areas. Milk production on United States farms in August was almost as great as in August last year. Competition among manufacturing milk plants for seasonally diminishing milk supplies continues keen, although tempered by the reductions in butter and cheese prices which occurred in August. During the first two weeks of September, butter prices showed some additional slight weakness; but cheese prices strengthened slightly. Producer prices for September milk in several important markets in which prices for fluid milk vary in relation to condensery prices will not be known until early in October.

Retail prices of standard milk delivered to homes in 25 major cities early in September averaged 21.6 cents per quart, three-tenths of a cent per quart higher than in August and two and four-tenths cents per quart higher than in September a year ago. Retail delivered milk prices have increased since August 10 in one of every five markets reporting. At \$5.33 per hundredweight, the milk dealers' average buying price for Class I milk of 3.5 percent butterfat content at local delivery points in early September was four cents per hundredweight above the August average price and was 62 cents per hundredweight above the average of September 1947. Producer price increases occurred in one out of every eight markets reporting. Both the average retail price and the average producer price are at new record high levels.

In the New England area, the only important price change occurred on September 16 in Connecticut. In that State, the Milk Administrator ordered an increase of 46 cents per hundredweight in the Class I price for area I, which covers most of the population of the State. An increase in wholesale and retail selling prices of at least one cent per quart probably went into effect simultaneously, but to date (September 15), no report on milk dealers' selling prices has been received. In the Boston market, the Federal Milk Administrator announced on August 25 a formula index which would have resulted in a September Class I price for the Boston market 22 cents per hundredweight lower than the August price, except for a contraseasonal provision in Federal Order No. 4 which prevents the September price from being below the August price. The lower index value resulted chiefly from a decline in retail prices of dairy rations in the Boston milkshed.

In the Middle Atlantic area, price increases at retail and producer levels were reported from the Buffalo and Rochester, N. Y. areas. In both markets, the Class I price rose 40 cents per hundredweight under provisions of amended New York State official orders 127 and 129. Retail prices in both markets advanced one cent per quart. On August 20, under orders issued by the Pennsylvania Milk Control Commission, producer prices rose 40 cents per hundredweight and retail prices $1\frac{1}{2}$ cents per quart in all Pennsylvania areas except the Pittsburgh and the State-wide areas.

In the East North Central area, retail price increases of one cent per quart were reported from the Cincinnati and Columbus, Ohio markets. Producer prices in both markets for September milk will not be known until early in October. In the Beloit and Racine, Wis. markets, retail increases of one cent per quart occurred. In the

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MARKETS	DEALERS' BUYING PRICES (F.O.B. CITY)										SELLING PRICES 2/										Fat test of milk most commonly sold by dealers
	Used for FLUID MILK 1/					Used for FLUID CREAM					WHOLESALE					RETAIL					
	Paid for milk of basic fat test per cwt. Dollars	Basic fat test Pct	Allow- ance 1/10% fat butter- fat Cents	Paid for or ad-just- ed to 3.5% fat per cwt. Dollars	3.5% fat basis per cwt. Dollars	In bulk 5-20 gal. lots per gal. Cents	Bottled per quart Cents	Delivered to homes		Stores		Per single quart		4-qt. con- tainers		4-qt. con- tainers		Percent			
Alabama(S)	6.75	4	7.0	6.40	-	-	21½	24	-	-	-	24	-	-	-	-	-	3.7			
Birmingham																					
Arizona	D.R.	-	14.8	5.18	-	59	16	20	38	-	-	19	37	-	-	-	-	3.5			
Phoenix	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	20	40	-	-	20	40	-	-	-	-	3.5-3.8			
Tucson																					
Arkansas	5.80	4	10.0	5.30	-	76	19½	22	-	-	-	22	-	-	-	-	-	3.5-4.0			
Little Rock																					
California(S)																					
Fresno	5.05	3.8	10-13	-	-	54-65	17½	20½	41	-	-	19½	39	-	-	-	-	-			
Los Angeles	5.46	3.8	11-15	5.11	-	60-61	16¾	20	40	-	-	19	38	-	-	-	-	3.5			
Sacramento	5.13	3.8	10-14	-	-	63	17	20	40	-	-	19	38	-	-	-	-	-			
San Diego	5.56	3.8	11-15	-	-	60-61	17½	20½	41	-	-	19½	39	-	-	-	-	-			
San Francisco	5.32	3.8	10-15	4.98	-	62-63	17½	20½	41	-	-	19½	39	-	-	-	-	3.6			
Santa Barbara	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	-	63-64	17½	20½	41	-	-	19½	39	-	-	-	-	-			
Colorado																					
Colorado Springs		Not determined																			
Denver	D.R.	-	14.1	4.94	4.58	68	17½	20	39	-	-	20	37	-	-	-	-	3.5-3.7			
Connecticut(S)																		3.25			
Hartford	6.52	3.7	7.0	6.38	3/4.14	-	19	22	-	-	-	4/21-22	-	-	-	-	-	3.7			
Dist. of Columbia																					
Washington	6.43	4	6.0	6.13	-	55-69	18	20-21	-	-	-	5/19-22	-	-	-	-	-	3.8-4.1			
Florida(S)																					
Jacksonville	7.31	4-4.5	-	7.31	-	90	24	26	-	-	-	26	-	-	-	-	-	4.0-4.5			
Miami	7.442	4.0	5.8	7.15	-	92	24	26	-	-	-	26	-	-	-	-	-	4.0			
Idaho																					
Boise	D.R.	-	12.3	4.30	-	63	16	19	36	-	-	19	36	-	-	-	-	3.5-4.0			
Illinois																					
Chicago(F)	5.193	3.5	-	5.19	4.79	73-78	19½-21	24	47	92	-	22	42	79	-	-	-	3.5-3.65			
Springfield	4.80	4	6.0	4.50	-	64	18½	21	-	-	-	20-21	-	-	-	-	-	3.5			
Indiana																					
Evansville	D.R.	-	13.55	4.74	4.57	-	18	20	-	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	3.8			
Ft. Wayne(F)	-	Not determined				74	18½	21	-	-	-	20-21	-	-	-	-	-	3.6			

MARKETS	DEALERS' BUYING PRICES (F.O.B. CITY)										SELLING PRICES 2/										Fat test of milk most commonly sold by dealers Percent
	Used for FLUID MILK 1/					Used for FLUID CREAM					WHOLESALE					RETAIL					
	Paid for milk of basic fat test per cwt. Dollars	Basic fat test Pct.	Allowance 1/10% butterfat Cents	Paid for or adjusted to 3.5% fat per cwt. Dollars	3.5% fat basis per cwt. Dollars	In bulk, 5-20 gal. lots per gal. Cents	Bottled per quart Cents	Delivered to homes		Stores		Per single quart tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	Per single quart tainers Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents					
								2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents										
New Jersey(S)	6.06	3.5	6.0	6.06	-	75-82	22½	25	-	-	24	-	-	24	-	-	3.5-4.0				
Atlantic City	6.06	3.5	6.0	6.06	-	74	19½	25	-	-	23	-	-	23	-	-	3.5-4.0				
Newark																					
New York																					
Albany																					
Binghamton			Not determined			78-80	21	9/23	-	-	4/23-24	-	-	23	-	-	3.6				
Buffalo(S)			Not determined			-	19½	10/23	-	-	23	-	-	21-22	-	-	3.6				
New York(F-S)	6.20	3.5	7.0	6.20	11/4.45	78	19½	23	-	-	20-24	-	-	20-24	-	-	3.7				
Rochester(S)	12/6.52-6.76	3.5	4.0	6.52-6.76	-	72-78	18-21	24½	-	-	4/22-23	-	-	23	-	-	3.7				
North Carolina	6.20	3.5	7.0	6.20	11/4.45	78	20	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8				
Biltmore	6.40	4	3.0	6.25	6.25	32	22	24	-	-	24	-	-	24	-	-	4.0				
Winston-Salem	6.40	4	5.0	6.15	-	80	22	24	-	-	23	-	-	23	-	-	4.0				
Durham	6.40	4	5.0	6.15	-	75	21	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0				
North Dakota																					
Fargo	D.R.	3.5	13.5	4.72	4.72	66	17	19	-	-	19	-	-	18	-	-	3.5-3.8				
Grand Forks	4.40		-	4.40	-	60	16	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				
Ohio																					
*Canton	5.90	3.5	-	5.90	5.20	-	19½	22	-	-	22	-	-	22	-	-	3.5				
Cincinnati(F)			Not determined			76	19	22	-	-	22	-	-	21	-	-	3.7				
Cleveland(F)	5.85	3.5	-	5.85	-	76	19½	22	-	-	21	-	-	21	-	-	3.5				
Columbus(F)			Not determined			71	19	21	-	-	21	-	-	21	-	-	3.8				
Dayton(F)			Not determined			72	19	21	-	-	21	-	-	21	-	-	3.8				
Toledo(F)			Not determined			74	19½	22	-	-	22	-	-	22	-	-	3.6				
Oklahoma																					
Oklahoma City	5.15	4	7.0	4.80	3.45	-	17½	20	-	-	19-20	-	-	19-20	-	-	3.7				
Tulsa	5.45	4	12.0	4.85	4.85	72	18½	21	-	-	20-21	-	-	20-21	-	-	3.6				
Oregon																					
Portland	13/	-	11.6	5.64	5.64	74	18½	20½	-	-	20½	-	-	20½	-	-	3.4-3.8				
Pennsylvania(S)																					
Johnstown	5.90	4	6.0	5.60	-	-	-	21½	-	-	21½	-	-	21½	-	-	3.7				
McKeesport	6.03	4	5.0	5.78	-	-	-	22	-	-	22	-	-	22	-	-	3.7				
Philadelphia(F)	6.24	4	5.0	5.99	-	78-79	19½-19¾	22	-	-	21	-	-	21	-	-	3.7-4.0				
Pittsburgh	6.03	4	5.0	5.78	5.57	-	20½	22	-	-	22	-	-	22	-	-	3.5				
Pittsburgh	5.60	4	5.0	5.35	4.29	76	20	22	-	-	22	-	-	22	-	-	3.5				
Reading																					
Rhode Island(S)	6.88	3.7	10.6 est.	6.67	3/4.57	76	20	23	-	-	22	-	-	22	-	-	3.7				
Providence																					
*Akron	6.00	3.5	-	6.00	5.35	72	19½	22	-	-	22	-	-	22	-	-	3.7				

South Dakota	4.50	3.5	5.0	4.50	-	60	16	19	-	-	19	-	-	3.5
Aberdeen	4.80	3.5	8.0	4.80	-	60	17	19	-	-	19	-	-	3.5-3.6
Sioux Falls	5.50	4	5.0	5.25	5.25	65-68	18	20-21	38	-	4/20-21	38	-	3.8
Tennessee	6.26	4	9.0	5.81	-	62	17½	20	-	-	20	-	-	4.0
Knoxville	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	3.8
Memphis	6.26	4	9.0	5.81	-	62	18	20	-	-	19-20	-	-	3.8
Nashville (F)	6.26	4	9.0	5.81	-	62	18	20	-	-	19-20	-	-	3.8
Texas	6.25	4	8.0	5.85	5.85	72	19	22	42	-	21	40	-	3.8
Dallas	6.35	4	-5.0	6.10	6.10	-	19½	22	-	-	22	-	-	3.7
El Paso	6.90	4	10.0	6.40	-	-	20	23	44	-	-	-	-	-
Houston	6.90	4	10.0	6.40	-	-	20	23	44	-	-	-	-	-
Utah	14/5.725	3.5	10.8	5.72	-	63	16	19	38	-	18	36	-	3.5
Salt Lake City	14/5.725	3.5	10.8	5.72	-	63	16	19	38	-	18	36	-	3.5
Vermont (S)	5.80 est. 3.7	3.7	10.9	5.58	5.58	76	20	15/22	-	-	22	-	-	4.0
Bellevue Falls	5.98	3.7	5.0	5.88	4.11	70	20	21	-	-	21	-	-	3.7
Richmond	5.60	4	10.0	5.10	5.10	68	17½	20	-	-	19½	-	-	3.7
Washington	5.72	4	10.8	5.18	5.18	68	17½	20	-	-	18-19	-	-	3.9
Bremerton	5.72	4	10.8	5.18	5.18	68	17½	20	-	-	19	-	-	3.5
Everett	5.72	4	10.8	5.18	5.18	68	17½	20	-	-	20	-	-	3.6
Seattle	5.72	4	10.8	5.18	5.18	68	17½	20	-	-	20	-	-	3.6
Snoke	5.90	3.5	6.0	5.90	5.60	-	20½	23	-	-	23	-	-	3.8
West Virginia	5.60	4	8.0	5.20	4.35	-	18½	21	-	-	21	-	-	4.0
Charleston	5.60	4	8.0	5.20	4.35	-	18½	21	-	-	21	-	-	4.0
Wheeling	5.261	3.5	9.0	5.26	4.86	-	17½	4/21-22	-	-	20	-	-	3.6
Wisconsin	5.19	3.5	5.0	5.19	4.79	72	18	20	-	-	20	-	-	3.4-3.6
Beloit	5.19	3.5	5.0	5.19	4.79	72	18	20	-	-	20	-	-	3.55
Kenosha	5.30	3.5	6.0	5.30	4.90	72	18	20½	41	-	19-20½	39-41	-	3.5
Madison	5.30	3.5	6.0	5.30	4.90	72	18	20½	41	-	20½	41	-	3.6
Milwaukee	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	72	18½	21	41	-	20½	41	-	3.6
Racine	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	72	18½	21	41	-	20½	41	-	3.6
Wyoming	5.25	-	15.0	5.25	-	60	16½	19	-	-	19	-	-	3.5
Cheyenne	5.25	-	15.0	5.25	-	60	16½	19	-	-	19	-	-	3.5

* The prices listed are the latest prices reported to the Bureau up to and including the tenth of the month.

(F) Under Federal Control. (S) Under State Control Board. Where only State is marked, all cities shown are under State Control.

1/ Buying prices f.o.b. city for milk used in direct ratio to butterfat content.

(b) paid for base amounts from individual producers. 2/ Selling prices are for that quality of milk commonly sold in specified markets.

3/ August price. 4/ The higher price is for milk in paper containers. 5/ 18¢ per quart at one chain store for purchase of 4 or more quarts.

6/ 1¢ per quart discount on a purchase of 3 or more single quarts on same delivery. 7/ 2¢ per quart discount for each additional

quart on the same delivery. 8/ Combined price for milk used as fluid milk and fluid cream.

9/ Effective August 1. Quantity discount on each purchase as follows: 1¢ per quart for 2 or 3 quarts and 2¢ per quart for 4 or more.

10/ Effective August 1. Does not include skim milk differential. August differential was 61¢ for Buffalo and Rochester respectively.

11/ 200-mile zone price +31¢ to 36¢ freight +30¢ to 50¢ country station handling charges.

12/ Prevailing price is \$1.16 per pound butterfat plus \$1.58 per hundredweight of milk purchased. 14/ Price to be paid in Sept. through Dec.

and includes 72¢ payment as seasonal pay-back. Direct ratio to 3.5 percent butterfat test. 15/ Price was 21¢ to Aug. 15 and increased

3¢ on that date. 16/ Effective August 6.

August 1948 Prices (Not available when the August report was published)

MARKETS	DEALERS' BUYING PRICES (T.O.B. CITY)				WHOLESALE		RETAIL						Fat test of milk most commonly sold by dealers
	Used for FLUID MILK		Used for FLUID CREAM		In bulk lots per gal.	Bottled per quart	Delivered to homes		Per single quart	2-qt. con- tainers	4-qt. con- tainers		
	Paid for basic fat test per cwt. Dollars	Allow- ance 1/10% butter- fat. Cents	Paid for or adjust- ed to 3.5% fat per cwt. Dollars	3.5% fat basis per cwt. Dollars			Cents	Cents				Cents	
Colorado Springs, Colo. D.R.		14.1	4.94	-	68	17½	20	-	-	20	-	-	3.5-3.7
Fort Wayne, Ind.	5.64	9.8	5.15	-	74	18½	21	-	-	20-21	-	-	3.6
South Bend, Ind.	1/5.062	9.0	5.06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sioux City, Ia.	5.08	9.0	5.08	-	66	17½	20	39	76	19-20	-	-	3.3-3.6
Topeka, Kans.	5.335	10.1	5.03	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wichita, Kans.	5.535	9.0	5.26	-	68-69	18	20	-	-	19-20	-	-	3.4-3.6
Louisville, Ky.	5.614	9.8	5.32	-	68-72	18½-19½	21-22	-	-	21-22	-	-	3.8
Paducah, Ky.	5.743	9.0	5.29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Orleans, Ia.	5.977	4	5.47	4.25	76	20	23	-	-	22	-	-	4.0
Minneapolis, Minn.	4.993	9.5	4.99	-	63	17	20	-	-	17½-19	-	-	3.5
St. Paul, Minn.	4.993	9.5	4.99	-	65	16½	19-20	-	-	19	-	-	3.5
Kansas City, Mo.	5.485	10.1	5.18	-	64	17	20-21	-	-	18-21	-	-	3.3-3.8
St. Louis, Mo.	5.618	9.0	5.62	4.82	76-80	18½-19½	22½-23½	42-45	86-88	20½-21½	39-41	79-80	3.5
Omaha, Nebr.	5.40	10.4	5.09	4.75	64	16½	19	37	-	18-19	35-37	-	3.3-3.8
Lincoln, Nebr.	2/(1-15) 4.11	8.5	3.86	-	62	15½	18	-	-	18	-	-	3.55
" " (16-31) 4.01	3.8	8.0	3.77	-	62	15½	22	-	-	22	-	-	3.6
Albuquerque, N.Mex. D.R.	-	17.5	6.12	-	75	20	22	-	-	22-23	-	-	-
Albany, N.Y. 2/	5.80	7.8	5.80	4.68	74-76	18½	22	-	-	22	-	-	3.5
Binghamton, N.Y. 2/	5.65	7.8	5.65	4.30	-	18	21	-	-	21	-	-	3.7
Cincinnati, Ohio	5.985	9.0	5.54	5.09	72	18	20	-	-	20	-	-	3.8
Columbus, Ohio	5.294	9.4	5.29	5.04	67	18	21	-	-	21	-	-	3.6
Dayton, Ohio	5.345	9.4	5.34	5.04	72	19	22	-	-	22	-	-	3.8
Toledo, Ohio	5.434	9.0	5.43	4.64	74	19½	22	-	-	19-20	-	-	3.6
Nashville, Tenn.	5.993	10.5	5.47	-	62	18	20	-	-	20	-	-	3.8
Spokane, Wash. D.R.	-	13.17	4.61	-	66	17½	20	-	-	20	-	-	3.6
Oshkosh, Wis. 2/	4.55	-	4.55	-	68	17	19	-	-	19	-	-	4.0
Rock Island, Ill.	3/5.378	-	5.38	5.23	66	17	20	-	-	19½-20	-	-	-
Lansing, Mich.	4/5.00	7.0	5.00	-	63	16½	19	-	-	19	-	-	3.5-3.6

1/ The price of \$4.559 shown on the August report was for May.

2/ The June and July prices were \$4.629 and \$4.864 respectively.

3/ All prices for July.

4/ July Class I and II prices \$5.23 and \$5.08 respectively. Selling prices same as in August.

The price of \$4.70 shown on August report was July price.

**DEALERS' BUYING PRICES FOR STANDARD GRADE MILK
USED FOR CITY DISTRIBUTION AS MILK AND CREAM (3.5% BUTTERFAT BASIS)
PER HUNDREDWEIGHT**

By geographic divisions, for delivery F.O.B. local shipping
point or country plant, September 1948 with comparisons 1/

Division <u>2/</u>	<u>September 1948</u>			<u>Prices compared for same markets</u>			
	Markets	Range	Average	Markets	Sept. 1948	August 1948	Sept. 1947
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Dollars</u>	<u>Dollars</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>average Dollars</u>	<u>average Dollars</u>	<u>average Dollars</u>
New England	15	5.58-6.57	6.17	15	6.17	6.15	5.31
Middle Atl ^{ic}	13	4.61-6.20	5.66	13	5.66	*5.43	4.94
E.N.Central	23	4.47-5.73	5.04	23	5.04	*5.02	4.22
W.N.Central	18	4.15-5.20	4.68	18	4.68	*4.72	4.14
S. Atlantic	20	4.37-7.31	5.76	20	5.76	5.74	5.34
E.S.Central	8	4.85-6.35	5.33	8	5.33	*5.38	4.83
W.S.Central	8	4.50-6.15	5.38	8	5.38	*5.28	4.79
Mountain	9	4.18-5.87	4.92	9	4.92	*4.77	4.34
Pacific	9	4.59-5.34	4.94	9	4.94	4.94	4.61
<u>UNITED STATES</u>	<u>123</u>	<u>4.15-7.31</u>	<u>5.33</u>	<u>123</u>	<u>5.33</u>	<u>5.29</u>	<u>4.71</u>

* Revised

By cities where part of milk is purchased through country stations
September 1948 3/

City	<u>Buying price for raw milk (flat price or 3.5% fat basis)</u>		<u>Freight zone or rate per cwt. to which country station prices apply</u>
	<u>F.O.B. City</u>	<u>At country stations</u>	
	<u>per cwt. Dollars</u>	<u>per cwt. Dollars</u>	
Boston, Mass.	<u>4/</u> 6.40	5.88	191-210 mile zone
New York, N. Y.	<u>5/</u> 6.52-6.76	5.90	201-210 mile zone (31 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ rate)
Philadelphia, Pa.	5.99	5.65	61-70 mile zone
Pittsburgh, Pa.	5.78	5.46	All beyond 65 miles
Baltimore, Md.	6.18	5.87	All beyond 20 miles
Washington, D. C.	6.13	5.95	All beyond 35 miles
Birmingham, Ala.	6.40	5.90	30¢ rate

1/ Not including prices where milk is purchased on the basis of current butter quotations, but including "flat prices" where such apply, also "basic prices" where a surplus or pooling plan is in effect.

2/ New England - Maine, N. H., Vt., Mass., R. I., Conn.: Middle Atlantic - N. Y., N. J., Pa.: E. North Central - Ohio, Ind., Ill., Mich., Wis.: W. North Central - Minn., Iowa, Mo., N. D., S. D., Nebr., Kans.: South Atlantic - Del., Md., D. C., Va., W. Va., N. C., S. C., Ga., Fla.: E. South Central - Ky., Tenn., Ala., Miss., W. South Central - Ark., La., Okla., Tex.: Mountain - Wyo., Colo., N. Mex., Idaho, Ariz., Utah, Nev., Montana: Pacific - Wash., Oreg., Calif.

3/ Price paid for milk sold in fluid form for city distribution. See also note 1/ on page 5.

4/ Adjusted to 3.5% basis by use of estimated butterfat differential.

5/ 200-mile zone price +31 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to 36¢ freight +30¢ to 50¢ country station handling charges.

PRICES FOR SPECIAL GRADES OF MILK, COTTAGE CHEESE AND CREAM 1/

CITIES	Special grade of milk retail per quart	Certified milk retail per quart	Cottage cheese (creamed) retail per 12-oz. pkg.	TABLE CREAM				WHIPPING CREAM			
				Wholesale per gal.	Retail		Wholesale per gal.	Retail		Homes	Stores
					To	At		To	At		
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Dollars	Homes	Stores	Dollars	Homes	Stores	To	At
Albany, N. Y.	24-26	27	26	2.68-2.84	42	42	5.12	63	63	42	42
Birmingham, Ala.	25	-	-	2.50	22	22	-	34	34	34	34
Boise, Idaho	24-26	30 $\frac{1}{2}$	2/23	2.58-2.62 $\frac{1}{2}$	42	40	4.47 $\frac{1}{2}$	69	66	36	40
Boston, Mass.	24-25	-	2/21	3.10	49	44	4.90	75	70	40	37
Buffalo, N. Y.	-	-	18	-	38	38	-	76	76	40	40
Cheyenne, Wyo.	26-28	28	25	2.99-3.13	55	49-51	4.84	-	-	41	38-39
Chicago, Ill.	23-24	-	22	2.56	-	-	-	-	-	31	30
Dallas, Texas	21	-	2/23	2.79	41	41	4.94	-	-	39	38
Denver, Colo.	21	-	2/23	2.42	-	-	-	-	-	38	38
Des Moines, Ia.	21	-	18	2.60	-	-	3.70	57	55-57	30	28-30
Duluth, Minn.	24	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	45	45
El Paso, Texas	21	22	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	37	37
Evansville, Ind.	23-25	27	-	-	46	-	-	74	-	39	38-39
Hartford, Conn.	27-28	24-25	22	3.20	40	38	5.00	-	-	42	42
Jacksonville, Fla.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$ -22 $\frac{1}{2}$	23	2/28	2.48-2.50	-	-	3.76-4.38	59-68	-	31-35	31-33
Los Angeles, Calif.	27	28	20	2.42	56	56	5.00	82	82	39	35-39
Kansas City, Mo.	-	24	22-23	3.20	-	-	4.15	-	-	42	42
Miami, Fla.	23	24	21	2.80	38	38	3.52	50	50	32 $\frac{1}{2}$	26
Milwaukee, Wis.	3/22-23	-	27	2.72	38	38	4.00	-	-	30	30
Minneapolis, Minn.	21	28	23	2.68	-	-	3.36	-	-	26	26
Nashville, Tenn.	24-25	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	19	2.52	-	-	4.48	-	-	40	31-38
New Orleans, La.	26 $\frac{1}{2}$ -27	-	23	2.79	-	-	-	-	-	38	37-38
New York, N. Y.	21-22	31-32	-	3.04-3.12	49	47	5.56-6.28	90	88	48	47
Omaha, Nebr.	25	-	23	3.28	48	48	4.52	68	68	35	35
Philadelphia, Pa.	23-24	-	-	2.96	41	41	4.20	58	58	31	31
Pittsburgh, Pa.	22 $\frac{1}{2}$ -24 $\frac{1}{2}$	27	-	2.71 $\frac{1}{2}$	47	45	5.07	77	74	39	38
Portland, Ore.	25	-	25	2.50	44	44	3.83	61	61	34	-
Providence, R. I.	22-23	-	19	3.04	51	-	5.84	85	83	45	44
Richmond, Va.	24-25	-	25	2.60	44	43-44	4.20	65	64	38	37-38
Rochester, N. Y.	21	-	23	2.66	41	39	4.00	58	56	33	32
Salt Lake City, Utah	23	-	19	2.64	-	-	4.54	-	-	34	36-38
Seattle, Wash.	21	-	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	34	34-36
Sioux City, Ia.	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	2/22	-	39	39	-	-	-	38	38
St. Louis, Mo.	22-23	-	23-25	2.44-2.56	37-39	35-40	4.96	76	76-82	41	39-41
Wheeling, W. Va.	22-23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Washington, D. C.	22-23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ Reported wholesale and retail prices of products, delivered to wholesale buyers' places of business, to homes of retail customers, and sold through stores as indicated. Special grades refer to milk of different quality than that commonly sold in cities designated.

2/ Price per pound. 3/ 2¢ discount on purchase of each additional quart.

NET PRICES PAID MEMBERS OF PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATIONS 1/

City	Last net blended prices paid for 3.5% milk 2/ per cwt.		Previously announced dealers' buying prices for same period	
	Dollars	Month	Basic or Class I per cwt. Dollars	Surplus price (paid on current butter market except as noted.)
Hartford, New Haven				
Bridgeport, Conn.	6.13	July	6.38	
Washington, D.C.	5.81	est. July	6.13	
Chicago, Ill.	3/4.66	July	4.86	All milk pooled.
Louisville, Ky.	4.94	Aug.	5.32	
Baltimore, Md.	5.58	July	5.65	
Boston, Mass.	4/4.99	July	5.66	
Detroit, Mich.	4.49	July	5.22	
St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn.	4.63	Aug.	4.99	All milk pooled
St. Louis, Mo.	4.85	June	5.04	
New York, N. Y.	5/4.86-4.92	July	5.46	
Akron, Ohio	4.91	July	5.30	
Canton, Ohio	4.85	July	5.30	
Cincinnati, Ohio	5.05	July	5.55	
Cleveland, Ohio	5.00	July	5.31	
Columbus, Ohio	5.21	July	5.36	
Dayton, Ohio	5.05	July	5.41	
Toledo, Ohio	5.27	July	5.41	
Philadelphia, Pa.	5.27	est. July	5.59	
Pittsburgh, Pa.	5.08	July	5.38	
Providence, R. I.	6.52	July	6.66	
Richmond, Va.	5.75	July	5.88	
Seattle, Wash.	4.60	July	5.18	
Charleston, W. Va.	5.58	July	5.60	
Milwaukee, Wis.	4.99	Aug.	5.30	
St. Louis, Mo.	5.46	July	5.68	

1/ Net prices reported paid to members of producers' association supplying the cities listed. Dealers' buying prices announced in advance for such cities are usually of two classes: (a) prices paid for base amounts for individual producers or prices paid for Class I milk, and (b) prices paid for surplus milk. The former applies to that portion of the milk used in fluid form for city wholesale and retail trade, and the latter to that portion classed as "surplus" used for manufacturing purposes. 2/ F.O.B. city unless otherwise indicated. 3/ 70-mile zone.

4/ 191-210 mile zone. 5/ 201-210 mile zone.

AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES 92 SCORE BUTTER AUGUST 1948 6/

Market	August 1948	July 1948	August 1947
New York	75.54¢	78.55¢	74.45¢
Chicago	75.34¢	78.83¢	74.79¢

6/ Market News Service, Production and Marketing Administration.

PREVAILING PRICES OF STANDARD GRADE MILK 1/
 DELIVERED TO HOMES IN 25 CITIES
 September 1948 with comparisons 2/

(Cents per quart)

Market	: Sept. : : 1948 :	Aug. : : 1948 :	Sept. : : 1947 :	Sept. : : 1942-46 :	Market	: Sept. : : 1948 :	Aug. : : 1948 :	Sept. : : 1947 :	Sept. : : 1942-46 :
				Av.					Av.
Boston, Mass.	23-23.5	23-23.5	21.0	16.6	Minneapolis, Minn.	3/21.0	20.0	19.0	13.4
New Haven, Conn.	22.0	22.0	20.0	16.8	Kansas City, Mo.	20-21	20-21	19.0	15.2
New York, N. Y.	24.5	24.5	21.5	17.8	Omaha, Nebr.	20.0	19.0	18.0	13.8
Philadelphia, Pa.	22.0	20.5	19.0	15.0	Louisville, Ky.	22.0	21-22	21.0	16.4
Pittsburgh, Pa.	22.0	20.5	19.5	16.0	New Orleans, La.	23.0	23.0	21.0	16.4
Baltimore, Md.	22.0	20.5	19.0	15.0	Dallas, Texas	22.0	21.0	19.0	15.6
Washington, D.C.	20-21	20-21	19.5	15.9	Denver, Colo.	20.0	20.0	18.0	14.0
Jacksonville, Fla.	26.0	26.0	22.0	19.4	Salt Lake City, Utah	19.0	19.0	17.0	13.4
Cleveland, Ohio	22.0	22.0	18.0	15.4	Seattle, Wash.	20.0	20.0	20.0	14.5
Indianapolis, Ind.	22.0	21.0	19.0	14.6	Portland, Ore.	20.5	20.5	17.0	14.5
Chicago, Ill.	24.0	24.0	21.5	17.3	San Francisco, Calif.	20.5	20.5	18.5	16.0
Detroit, Mich.	21.0	21.0	18.0	15.4	Los Angeles, Calif.	20.0	20.0	18.5	14.9
Milwaukee, Wis.	20.5	20.5	16.0	13.3	25 cities' average	21.6	21.3	19.2	15.5

1/ "Standard grade" refers to the grade of milk commonly sold in each market. Milk grades may vary from market to market because of variation of the factors which enter into grade determination.

2/ The prices listed are the latest prices reported to the Bureau up to the tenth of the month.

3/ 2¢ per quart discount for each additional quart on the same delivery.

Beloit market, the producer price rose 40 cents per hundredweight. In Racine, the producer price is not yet determined.

In the West North Central area, the Duluth, Minn. market reported an increase of 28 cents per hundredweight in the producer price and one cent per quart in retail prices. In the Twin City area, retail prices rose one cent per quart in both Minneapolis and St. Paul on or about August 12. Producer prices for September milk will not be known until early in October. The August producer price in the two markets was 7 cents per hundredweight below the July price.

In the South Atlantic area, only one market reported a price increase. In Baltimore, Md., the producer price rose 40 cents per hundredweight on September 1 and whole-sale and retail prices rose $1\frac{1}{2}$ cents per quart. From the West South Central area, the Dallas, Texas market reported a retail increase of one cent per quart and a producer price increase of 35 cents per hundredweight. The Tulsa, Okla. market also reported an increase of one cent per quart at retail and a producer increase of 20 cents per hundredweight.

In the Mountain area, the Phoenix, Ariz. market reported a retail increase of one cent per quart and a producer increase of 10 cents per hundredweight. From Boise, Idaho, there was reported a reduction of 22 cents per hundredweight in the producer price. This was the only reported reduction in producer prices. Retail prices in the market were unchanged.

The Crop Reporting Board estimated that milk production during August on United States farms was 10.6 billion pounds, almost as much as in the same month a year ago and 4 percent below the August record established in 1945. August was the first month this year in which production was not down appreciably from the corresponding month a year ago. Milk production per cow in August set a new high for the month, exceeding last year's previous record by 3 percent. Milk cow numbers, however, were the smallest for any August in 18 years. Daily milk production per capita averaged

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City	Dealers' buying prices F.O.B. City Class I Milk (3.5% fat basis)			Retail price per quart delivered to homes		
	Sept. 1948	Aug. 1948	Sept. 1947	Sept. 1948	Aug. 1948	Sept. 1947
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Cents	Cents	Cents
<u>New England:</u>						
Bellows Falls, Vt.	5.58 est.	5.38	5.03	1/22	2/21½	20
<u>Middle Atlantic:</u> 3/						
Buffalo, N. Y.	6.20	5.80	5.40	23	22	19
Rochester, N. Y.	6.20	5.80	5.40	23	22	21
Johnstown, Pa.	5.60	5.20	4.95	21½	20	19
McKeesport, Pa.	5.78	5.38	5.05	22	20½	19½
Philadelphia, Pa.	5.99	5.38	5.04	22	20½	19
Pittsburgh, Pa.	5.78	5.38	5.05	22	20½	19½
<u>East North Central:</u>						
Battle Creek, Mich.	1/5.20	4.92	4.40	20	19	17
Lansing, Mich.	-	4/5.00	4.20	20	19	17
Cincinnati, Ohio	-	5.54	4.96	22	21	19
Columbus, Ohio	-	5.29	4.64	5/21	20	17
Beloit, Wis.	5.26	4.86	4.15	6/21-22	20	18
Racine, Wis.	-	-	-	7/21	20	17
<u>West North Central:</u>						
Duluth, Minn.	4.91	4.63	4.37	20	19	17½
Minneapolis, Minn.	-	4.99	4.48	7/21	20	18
St. Joseph, Mo.	8/5.25	5.12	4.80	21	20	19
St. Louis, Mo.	-	5.62	4.96	9/20½-22½	22½-23½	20-20½
Omaha, Nebr.	-	5.10	4.47	20	19	18
<u>South Atlantic:</u>						
Baltimore, Md.	9/6.18	5.78	5.30	22	20½	18
<u>West South Central:</u>						
Tulsa, Okla.	9/4.85	4.65	4.35	21	20	18
Dallas, Texas	5.85	5.50	4.95	22	21	19
<u>Mountain:</u>						
Phoenix, Ariz.	5.18	5.08	5.08	20	19	19
Boise, Idaho	4.30	4.52	3.64	19	19	17

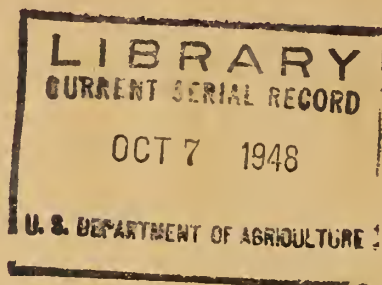
- 1/ Effective August 15. 2/ Effective August 1.
3/ All price changes in this area effective September 1 except in Johnstown and Philadelphia, Pa. where prices became effective August 20.
4/ Correct price, not \$4.70 as shown in August report.
5/ Effective August 18. 6/ The higher price is for milk in paper containers.
7/ Effective August 12. 8/ Effective September 5. 9/ Effective September 1.

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2.32 pounds during the month, the lowest since 1937 and about 5 percent below the 10-year average.

On September 7, the U. S. Department of Agriculture announced a decision, subject to industry approval, to adopt a plan of seasonal payments to producers supplying the Nashville, Tenn. milk marketing area. The seasonal payment plan, designed to encourage greater production of milk during the short-supply months, provides for deductions from payments to producers during the season of flush production for distribution among producers on the basis of their production during the short production season. The planned deduction would be at the rate of 45 cents for each 100 pounds of milk delivered by producers during each of the months of April through June. The total money thus collected would then be distributed among producers during the short-supply months of September through November. If formally approved by producers, an amendment may be issued incorporating the seasonal payment plan in Federal Milk Order 78 which regulates milk handling in the Nashville area.

On September 9, the Assistant Administrator, Production and Marketing Administration, Department of Agriculture, announced a denial of an emergency increase in the price differential for Class I milk in the St. Louis market. At the same time, the Assistant Administrator announced a public hearing for September 20 at St. Louis to consider a review of the major provisions of the Federal Order regulating milk handling for that area.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
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FLUID MILK PRICES IN CITY MARKETS

FOR OCTOBER 1948

Price changes for fluid milk at retail and producer levels showed considerable local variation early in October, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported today. Several city markets where producer prices for milk for fluid use are closely related to manufacturing milk prices reported contraseasonal price reductions at both producer and retail levels. Many other markets whose fluid milk prices are not closely related to manufacturing milk prices reported seasonal increases in producer and retail prices for fluid milk. The net average change in producer prices was a small increase above September levels. As measured by prices reported from 23 large city markets in all sections of the country there was practically no change in average retail prices for standard milk from the level reached early in September. Last year at this time, substantial seasonal price increases above September levels were reported at both producer and retail levels.

Early in October, wholesale prices of the major manufactured dairy products such as butter, cheese, and evaporated milk were lower than during the summer months. Bulk wholesale cream prices have also been lower recently than during the summer months. As is to be expected, most of the reported fluid milk price reductions occurred in the East and West North Central areas where city market prices for milk for fluid use are more closely related to manufacturing milk prices than in eastern and southern areas. For example, the average milk dealers' buying price for milk of 3.5 percent butterfat content for fluid use in these areas early in October was eight cents per hundredweight below the average price reported for September. In the New England and West South Central areas, the average milk dealers' buying prices for October were about 23 cents per hundredweight above the September averages. In the Middle Atlantic and Mountain areas, the October average buying prices of milk dealers were seven cents and eight cents per hundredweight, respectively, above September levels. In all other areas, only small differences in milk dealers' buying prices from September levels were reported.

Retail prices of standard milk delivered to homes in 23 major cities early in October averaged 21.6 cents per quart, the same as in September, but two and two-tenths cents per quart higher than October a year ago. Retail delivered milk prices rose in about one market in every five reporting and declined in about one market in every ten reporting. At \$5.35 per hundredweight, the milk dealers' average buying price for Class I milk of 3.5 percent butterfat content early in October was three cents per hundredweight above the September average and was 48 cents per hundredweight above the average for October 1947. Since June this year, the milk dealers' average buying price for Class I milk has increased 31 cents per hundredweight, whereas last year's increase for the same period was 46 cents per hundredweight. The reported increase of one and one-tenth cents per quart in the average retail price for standard milk delivered to homes in 25 large markets between June and October this year is identical with the increase for the same period a year ago.

In the New England area, an increase of 22 cents per hundredweight occurred on October 1 in the Class I prices for milk of 3.7 percent butterfat content in the Boston, Lowell-Lawrence and Fall River markets under provisions of the Federal Orders regulating the handling of milk in those markets. Similar price increases at producer levels were reported from the Portland, Maine market and from Manchester

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MARKETS	DEALERS' BUYING PRICES (F.O.B. CITY)					WHOLESALE					RETAIL					Fat test of milk most commonly sold by dealers Percent
	Used for FLUID MILK 1/			Allow- ance 1/10% butter- fat Cents	Paid for or adjust- ed to 3.5% fat per cwt. Dollars	Used for FLUID CREAM 3.5% fat basis per cwt. Dollars	In bulk		Delivered to homes		Stores					
	Paid for milk of basic fat test per cwt. Dollars	Basic fat test Pct.	Bottled per quart Cents				5-20 gal. lots per gal. Cents	Per single quart Cents	2-qt. con- tainers Cents	4-qt. con- tainers Cents	Per single quart Cents	2-qt. con- tainers Cents	4-qt. con- tainers Cents			
Alabama(S)	6.75	4	7.0	6.40	-	-	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	24	-	-	-	-	3.7	
Birmingham	3/6.90	4	7.0	6.55	-	-	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	24	-	-	-	-	3.7	
Mobile																
Arizona	D.R.	-	15.8	5.53	-	-	-	-	-	19-20	37	-	-	-	3.5	
Phoenix	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	-	-	21	42	-	-	-	3.5-3.8	
Tucson																
Arkansas	5.80	4	10.0	5.30	3.70	76	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	22	-	-	-	-	3.5-4.0	
Little Rock																
California(S)																
Fresno	5.05	3.8	10-13	-	-	61-65	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	41	-	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	39	-	-	-	-	
Los Angeles	5.46	3.8	11-15	5.11	5.11	60-61	16 $\frac{1}{2}$	40	-	20	38	-	-	-	3.5	
Sacramento	5.13	3.8	10-14	-	-	63	17	40	-	20	38	-	-	-	-	
San Diego	5.56	3.8	11-15	-	-	60-61	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	41	-	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	39	-	-	-	-	
San Francisco	5.32	3.8	10-15	4.98	4.98	62-63	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	41	-	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	39	-	-	-	3.6	
Santa Barbara	5.47	3.8	11-15	-	-	63-64	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	41	-	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	39	-	-	-	-	
Colorado																
Colorado Springs	D.R.	-	14.2	4.97	4.97	68	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	3.5-3.7	
Denver	D.R.	-	14.1	4.94	-	66	17	39	-	20	37	-	-	-	-	
Connecticut(S)																
Hartford	6.98	3.7	7.0	6.84	4/3.99	-	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	-	-	3.7-3.9	
Dist. of Columbia																
Washington	6.43	4	6.9	6.13	-	55-69	18	-	-	20-21	-	-	-	-	3.8-4.1	
Florida(S)																
Jacksonville	7.31	4-4.5	-	7.31	-	90	24	-	-	26	-	-	-	-	4.0-4.5	
Miami	7.442	4	5.8	7.15	-	92	24	-	-	26	-	-	-	-	4.0	
Idaho																
Boise	D.R.	-	11.8	4.13	-	63	17	36	-	19	36	-	-	-	3.5-4.0	
Illinois																
Chicago(F)	4.885	3.5	-	4.88	4.48	71-78	19-20 $\frac{1}{2}$	46	90	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	41	-	-	-	3.5	
Springfield	4.80	4	6.0	4.50	-	64	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	3.5	
Indiana																
Evansville	D.R.	-	13.55	4.74	4.57	-	18	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	3.8	
Ft. Wayne(F)	-	Not determined	-	-	-	74	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	3.6	
Cary	-	-	-	-	-	72	19	-	-	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	-	-	3.5	
Iowa																
Burlington	4.57 $\frac{1}{2}$	3.5	7.0	4.58	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	-	-	-	3.8	
Des Moines	5.00	3.5	-	5.00	-	66	17	-	-	19	-	-	-	-	3.7	
Fort Dodge	4.15	3.5	8.0	4.15	-	-	15	-	-	17	-	-	-	-	-	
Sioux City(F)		Not determined	-	-	-	66	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	39	76	20	-	-	-	-	3.3-3.6	

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MARKETS	DEALERS' BUYING PRICES (F.O.B. CITY)				WHOLESALE				RETAIL				Fat test of milk most commonly sold by dealers Percent	
	Used for FLUID MILK 1/		Used for CREAM		In bulk 5-20 gal. lots per gal. Cents	Bottled per quart Cents	Delivered to homes		Stores		4-qt. con-tainers Cents			
	Paid for milk of basic fat test per cwt. Dollars	Allow-ance 1/10% butter fat per cwt. Cents	Paid for or adjusted to 3.5% fat per cwt. Dollars	3.5% fat basis per cwt. Dollars			Per single quart tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	Per single quart tainers Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents				
North Carolina														
Biltmore	6.40	4	6.25	3.0	82	22	24	-	24	-	-	-	-	-
Durham	6.40	4	6.15	5.0	75	21	23	-	23	-	-	-	-	4.0
Winston-Salem	6.40	4	6.15	5.0	80	22	24	-	24	-	-	-	-	4.0
North Dakota														
Fargo	D.R.	-	4.72	13.5	56	17	19	-	19	-	74	74	-	3.5-3.8
Grand Forks	4.40	3.5	4.40	13.0	60	16	18	-	18	-	-	-	-	3.5-3.6
Ohio														
Akron	5.65	3.5	5.65		68	18 1/2	21	-	21	-	74	74	-	3.7
Canton		Not determined			-	18 1/2	21	-	21	-	-	-	-	3.5
Cincinnati(F)		Not determined			76	19	22	-	22	-	-	-	-	3.7
Cleveland(F)		Not determined			72	18 1/2	21	-	21	-	-	-	-	3.5
Columbus(F)		Not determined			71	19	21	-	21	-	-	-	-	3.8
Dayton(F)		Not determined			72	19	21	-	21	-	-	-	-	3.8
Toledo(F)		Not determined			74	19 1/2	22	-	22	-	-	-	-	3.6
Oklahoma														
Oklahoma City	5.45	4	5.10	7.0	-	18 1/2	21	-	21	-	-	-	-	3.7
Tulsa	5.45	4	4.90	11.0	72	16 3/4	21	-	21	-	-	-	-	-
Oregon														
Klamath Falls	14/14	-	5.42	11.5	72	18	20	40	20	40	80	80	-	3.2-3.8
Portland	14/14	-	5.64	11.6	74	18 3/4	20 1/2	-	20 1/2	-	-	-	-	3.2-3.8
Pennsylvania.(S)														
Johnstown	5.90	4	5.60	6.0	-	20 1/2	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
McKeesport	6.03	4	5.78	5.0	-	20 1/2	22	-	22	-	-	-	-	3.7
Philadelphia(F)	6.30	4	5.82	9.5 est.	78-79	19 1/2-19 3/4	22	-	22	-	-	-	-	3.7-4.0
Pittsburgh	6.03	4	5.78	5.0	-	20 1/2	22	-	22	-	-	-	-	-
Reading	6.00	4	5.75	5.0	-	20	22	-	22	-	-	-	-	3.5
Rhode Island														
Providence	6.88	3.7	6.68	10.0 est.	76	20	23	-	22	-	-	-	-	3.7
South Dakota														
Aberdeen	4.50	3.5	4.50	5.0	60	16	19	-	19	-	-	-	-	3.5
Sioux Falls	5.10	3.5	5.10	7.0	64	17	20	-	19-20	-	-	-	-	3.6
Tennessee														
Knoxville	5.75	4	5.35	8.0	-	19	5/21-22	40	5/21-22	40	-	-	-	3.8
Memphis	6.26	4	5.81	9.0	65-68	17 1/2	20	-	20	-	-	-	-	4.0
Nashville(F)		Not determined			62	18	20	-	19-20	-	-	-	-	3.8
Texas														
Dallas	6.60	4	6.20	8.0	76	20	23	44	22	42	-	-	-	3.8
El Paso	6.75	4	6.50	5.0	-	21 1/2	24	-	24	-	-	-	-	3.7
Houston	7.15	4	6.65	10.0	-	21	24	46	-	-	-	-	-	-

Utah	15/5.725	3.5	-	5.72	-	63	16	19	38	-	18	36	-	3.5
Salt Lake City	6.00 est. 3.7	3.7	9.6 est. 5.81	6.43	5.81	76	20	22	-	-	22	-	-	-
Vermont (S)	6.53	5.0	6.43	4.66	4.66	78	22	23	-	-	23	-	-	3.7
Virginia	5.60	4	5.10	5.10	5.10	68	18	20	-	-	19-20	-	-	3.7
Richmond	5.72	4	5.18	5.18	5.18	68	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	-	-	5/19-20	-	-	3.5
Washington	D.R.	-	4.77	-	-	66	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	-	-	20	-	-	3.6
Bremerton	5.90	3.5	5.90	5.60	5.60	-	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	23	-	-	23	-	-	3.8
Seattle	5.90	4	5.55	4.70	4.70	-	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	22	-	-	22	-	-	4.0
Spokane	5.193	3.5	5.19	4.79	4.79	68	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	5/20-22	-	-	-	-	-	3.7
West Virginia	4.81	3.5	4.81	4.81	4.81	72	18	20	-	-	20	-	-	3.6
Charleston	5.30	3.5	5.30	4.90	4.90	72	18	20	-	-	20	-	-	3.55
Wheeling	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	68	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	40	-	19-20	38-40	-	3.7
Wisconsin	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined	70	18	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	3.6
Beloit	D.R.	-	5.25	-	-	60	16 $\frac{1}{2}$	19	-	-	19	-	-	3.5
Kenosha	D.R.	-	15.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Madison	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Milwaukee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Racine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cheyenne	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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(F) Under Federal Control. (S) Under State Control Board. Where only State is marked, all cities shown are under State Control

D.R. Indicates that payment is made in direct ratio to butterfat content.

1/ Buying prices f.o.b. city for milk used in fluid form for city distribution; either (a) prices paid for Class I milk, (b) paid for base amounts from individual producers.

2/ Selling prices are for that quality of milk commonly sold in specified markets.

3/ Effective September 16. 4/ September price. 5/ The higher price is for milk in paper containers.

6/ 18¢ per quart at one chain store for purchase of 4 or more quarts.

7/ The September price 22¢, not 22¢ as shown in September report.

8/ 1¢ per quart discount on a purchase of 3 or more single quarts on same delivery.

9/ 2¢ per quart discount for each additional quart on the same delivery.

10/ Combined price for milk used as fluid milk and fluid cream.

11/ July, August, and September prices 70-72¢ and 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ respectively, not 64¢ and 17¢ as published in reports for those months.

12/ Does not include skim milk differential. September differential was 61¢ and 69¢ for Buffalo and Rochester respectively.

13/ 200-mile zone price +31 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to 36¢ freight +30¢ to 50¢ country station handling charges.

14/ Prevailing prices for Klamath Falls and Portland markets respectively: \$1.15 and \$1.16 per pound butterfat plus \$1.40 and \$1.58 per cwt. of milk purchased.

15/ Price to be paid in September through December and includes 72¢ as seasonal pay-back. Direct ratio to 3.5 percent butterfat test.

September 1948 Prices (Not available when the September report was published)

MARKETS	DEALERS' BUYING PRICES (F.O.B. CITY)										SELLING PRICES										Fat test of milk most commonly sold by dealers Percent
	Used for FLUID MILK					Used for CREAM					WHOLESALE					RETAIL					
	Paid for milk of basic fat test per cwt. Dollars	Basic fat test Pct.	Allowance 1/10% butterfat Cents	Paid for or adjusted to 3.5% fat per cwt. Dollars	3.5% fat basis per cwt. Dollars	In bulk 5-20 gal. lots per gal. Cents	Bottled per quart Cents	Delivered to homes		Per single quart Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	Stores		Per single quart Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents					
								2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents			2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents								
Alton, Ill.	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	20	-	20	-	-	20	20	-	-	3.5				
Gary, Ind.	-	-	-	-	-	72	19½	23	-	23	-	44	23	23	44	-	3.5				
South Bend, Ind.	5.194	3.5	8.6	5.19	5.19	-	-	22	-	22	-	-	22	19-20	-	-	-				
Sioux City, Ia.	5.03	3.5	8.6	5.03	4.73	66	17½	20	76	20	-	39	19-20	21	-	-	3.3-3.6				
Topeka, Kans.	5.261	3.8	9.75	4.97	4.72	-	-	21	-	21	-	-	19-20	21	-	-	-				
Wichita, Kans.	5.461	3.8	8.6	5.20	4.95	68-69	18	20	-	20	-	-	19-20	19-20	-	-	3.4-3.6				
Louisville, Ky.	5.493	3.8	9.3	5.21	-	-	-	22	-	22	-	-	21-22	21-22	-	-	3.8				
Paducah, Ky.	5.41	4	8.6	4.98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				
New Orleans, La.	5.648	4	-	5.16	4.11	76	20	23	-	23	-	-	22	22	-	-	4.0				
Lansing, Mich.	5.00	3.5	7.0	5.00	-	67	17½	20	-	20	-	-	20	20	-	-	3.5				
Minneapolis, Minn.	4.685	3.5	9.1	4.68	3.79	67	18-18½	21	-	21	-	-	18-20	18-20	-	-	3.5				
St. Paul, Minn.	4.685	3.5	9.1	4.68	3.79	69	17½	20	-	20	-	-	18-20	18-20	-	-	3.5				
Kansas City, Mo.	5.611	3.8	9.75	5.32	5.07	64	17	20-21	-	20-21	-	-	18-21	18-21	-	-	3.3-3.8				
St. Louis, Mo.	5.343	3.5	8.6	5.34	4.54	76-80	19½-20½	20½-22½	42-45	20½-22½	42-45	42-45	20½-22½	20½-22½	42-45	86-88	3.5				
Omaha, Nebr.	5.34	3.8	10.4	5.03	4.68	63	17	20	-	20	-	39	19-20	19-20	36-39	-	3.3-3.8				
Albuquerque, N. Mex.	D.R.	-	17.5	6.12	-	75	19½	22	-	22	-	-	22	22	-	-	3.6				
Albany, N.Y. 1/	6.00	3.5	7.0	6.00	4.99	78-80	21	23	-	23	-	-	23-24	23	-	-	-				
Binghamton, N.Y. 1/	6.05	3.5	7.0	6.05	4.40	-	19½	23	-	23	-	-	23	23	-	-	-				
Cincinnati, Ohio	5.76	4	8.6	5.33	4.88	76	19	22	-	22	-	-	22	22	-	-	3.7				
Columbus, Ohio	4.986	3.5	10.3	4.99	4.74	71	19	21	-	21	-	-	21	21	-	-	3.8				
Dayton, Ohio	5.032	3.5	9.5	5.03	4.73	72	19	21	-	21	-	-	21	21	-	-	3.8				
Toledo, Ohio	5.097	3.5	9.3	5.10	4.50	74	19½	22	-	22	-	-	22	22	-	-	3.6				
Nashville, Tenn.	5.665	4	10.0	5.16	-	62	18	20	-	20	-	-	19-20	19-20	39-41	-	3.8				
Milwaukee, Wis.	5.20	3.5	6.0	5.20	-	70	18	20½	-	20½	-	41	19-20½	19-20½	-	-	3.5				
Oshkosh, Wis. 1/	4.83	3.5	-	4.83	-	68	17	19	-	19	-	-	19	19	-	-	4.0				
Fort Wayne, Ind.	5.368	4	9.3	4.90	-	74	18½	21	-	21	-	-	20-21	20-21	-	-	3.6				
Rock Island, Ill.	5.46	3.5	8.6	5.46	-	66	17	20	-	20	-	-	19½-20	19½-20	-	-	-				

1/ All prices for August.

DEALERS' BUYING PRICES FOR STANDARD GRADE MILK
USED FOR CITY DISTRIBUTION AS MILK AND CREAM (3.5% BUTTERFAT BASIS)
PER HUNDREDWEIGHT

By geographic divisions, for delivery F.O.B. local shipping
point or country plant, October 1948 with comparisons 1/

Division 2/	October 1948			Prices compared for same markets			
	Markets	Range	Average	Markets	Oct. 1948	Sept. 1948	Oct. 1947
	Number	Dollars	Dollars	Number	average Dollars	average Dollars	average Dollars
New England	15	5.81-6.73	6.40	15	6.40	6.17	5.69
Middle Atl'c	13	5.01-6.20	5.73	13	5.73	5.66	5.22
E.N. Central	23	4.47-5.55	4.93	23	4.93	*5.01	4.32
W.N. Central	18	4.36-4.96	4.60	18	4.60	4.68	4.26
S. Atlantic	20	4.37-7.31	5.79	20	5.79	*5.77	5.46
E.S. Central	8	4.65-6.35	5.28	8	5.28	*5.27	4.86
W.S. Central	8	4.70-6.40	5.58	8	5.58	*5.35	4.98
Mountain	9	4.01-5.87	5.00	9	5.00	4.92	4.45
Pacific	10	4.59-5.34	4.92	10	4.92	*4.90	4.62
UNITED STATES	124	4.01-7.31	5.35	124	5.35	*5.32	4.87

*Revised

By cities where part of milk is purchased through country stations
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City	Buying price for raw milk (flat price or 3.5% fat basis)		Freight zone or rate per cwt. to which country station prices apply
	F.O.B. City per cwt.	At country stations per cwt.	
	Dollars	Dollars	
Boston, Mass.	4/ 6.64	6.12	191-210 mile zone
New York, N. Y.	5/ 6.74-6.98	6.12	201-210 mile zone (31 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ rate)
Philadelphia, Pa.	4/ 5.82	5.48	61-70 mile zone
Pittsburgh, Pa.	5.78	5.46	All beyond 65 miles
Baltimore, Md.	6.18	5.87	All beyond 20 miles
Washington, D. C.	6.13	5.95	All beyond 35 miles
Birmingham, Ala.	6.40	5.90	30¢ rate

1/ Not including prices where milk is purchased on the basis of current butter quotations, but including "flat prices" where such apply, also "basic prices" where a surplus or pooling plan is in effect.

2/ New England - Maine, N. H., Vt., Mass., R. I., Conn.: Middle Atlantic - N. Y., N. J., Pa.: E. North Central - Ohio, Ind., Ill., Mich., Wis.: W. North Central - Minn., Iowa, Mo., N. D., S. D., Nebr., Kans.: South Atlantic - Del., Md., D. C., Va., W. Va., N. C., S. C., Ga., Fla.: E. South Central - Ky., Tenn., Ala., Miss., W. South Central - Ark., La., Okla., Tex.: Mountain - Wyo., Colo., N. Mex., Idaho, Ariz., Utah, Nev., Montana: Pacific - Wash., Oreg., Calif.

3/ Price paid for milk sold in fluid form for city distribution. See also note 1/ on page 5.

4/ Adjusted to 3.5% basis by use of estimated butterfat differential.

5/ 200-mile zone price + 31 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to 36¢ freight + 30¢ to 50¢ country station handling charges.

PRICES FOR SPECIAL GRADES OF MILK, COTTAGE CHEESE AND CREAM 1/

CITIES	Special grade of milk retail per quart Cents	Certified milk retail per quart Cents	Cottage cheese (creamed) retail per 12-oz. pkg. Cents	TABLE CREAM				WHIPPING CREAM					
				Wholesale per gal. Dollars	Retail		Wholesale per gal. Dollars	Retail					
					To Homes	At Stores		To Homes	At Stores	To Homes	At Stores		
Albany, N. Y.	24-26	27	2/26	2.68-2.84	-	-	25	25	5.12	-	-	42	42
Baltimore, Md.	23-24	-	26	2.93	-	-	27	27	5.20	-	-	41	41
Birmingham, Ala.	25	-	-	-	42	42	22	22	-	63	63	34	34
Boise, Idaho	-	-	2/23	2.50	-	-	23	23	-	-	-	40	40
Boston, Mass.	27	31	2/28	2.58 $\frac{1}{2}$ -2.62 $\frac{1}{2}$	42	40	23	22	4.47 $\frac{1}{2}$	69	66	36	34
Buffalo, N. Y.	24-25	-	21	3.10	49	44	27	24	4.90	75	70	40	37
Cheyenne, Wyo.	-	-	18	-	38	38	20	20	-	76	76	40	40
Chicago, Ill.	25 $\frac{1}{2}$ -28	27 $\frac{1}{2}$	25	2.99-3.08	53	47-49	28	24-26	4.48-4.60	-	-	41	38
Dallas, Texas	24	-	22	-	-	-	22	21	-	-	-	33	32
Denver, Colo.	21	-	2/23	2.79	-	-	23	22	4.94	-	-	39	38
Des Moines, Ia.	21	-	23	2.42	41	41	21	21	-	-	-	38	38
Duluth, Minn.	-	-	18	2.60	-	-	-	-	3.70	57	55-57	30	28-30
El Paso, Texas	26	28	30	-	-	-	24	24	-	-	-	47	47
Evansville, Ind.	21	22	24	-	-	-	21	21	-	-	-	37	37
Hartford, Conn.	24 $\frac{1}{2}$ -26 $\frac{1}{2}$	28 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	-	-	23	21	-	72	72	37	37
Jacksonville, Fla.	27-28	-	22	3.20	-	-	28	28	5.00	-	-	42	42
Los Angeles, Calif.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$ -22 $\frac{1}{2}$	24-25	2/28	2.48-2.50	40	38	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	3.76-4.38	59-68	-	31-33	42
Miami, Fla.	27	28	20	3.20	56	56	28	28	5.00	82	82	25	22-25
Milwaukee, Wis.	22-22 $\frac{1}{2}$	23	21-22	2.70-2.72	36	33-36	24	23-24	4.05-4.07	-	-	32	31-32
Minneapolis, Minn.	19 $\frac{1}{2}$ -21	-	21	2.60	-	-	20	17 $\frac{1}{2}$ -20	3.36	48	43-48	30	30
Nashville, Tenn.	21	-	27	2.50	-	-	22	22	4.00	-	-	26	26
New Orleans, La.	24-25	28	23	2.68	-	-	21	21	3.36	-	-	39	-
New York, N. Y.	27-27 $\frac{1}{2}$	3/33	-	2.44	-	-	25 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	4.32	-	-	38	37-38
Omaha, Nebr.	21-22	-	19	2.79	-	-	22	21-22	-	-	-	48	47
Philadelphia, Pa.	25	31	-	3.04-3.12	49	47	26	25	5.56-6.28	90	88	35	35
Pittsburgh, Pa.	23-24	-	2/25	3.28	48	48	26	26	4.52	68	68	31	31
Portland, Ore.	22 $\frac{1}{2}$ -24 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	2.96	41	41	22	22	4.20	58	58	37	36
Providence, R. I.	-	27	-	2.55 $\frac{1}{2}$	45	43	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	4.75	73	70	45	44
Richmond, Va.	24-25	-	-	2.80	49	49	-	-	-	-	-	38	37-38
Rochester, N. Y.	24-25	-	19	3.04	51	-	28	27	5.84	85	83	45	45
Salt Lake City, Utah	21	-	25	2.60	44	43-44	28	27-28	4.20	65	64	38	37-38
Seattle, Wash.	23	-	24	2.82	43	41	24	23	4.16	60	58	34	33
Sioux City, Ia.	21	-	19	2.64	-	-	21	20-21	-	-	-	38	36-38
St. Louis, Mo.	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	23	-	-	-	24-26	24-26	4.54	-	-	34-36	34-36
Washington, D. C.	22-23	-	23-25	2.44-2.56	37-39	35-40	20 $\frac{1}{2}$ -21 $\frac{1}{2}$	19-23	4.96	76	76-82	41	39-41
Wheeling, W. Va.	23-24	-	2/23	-	41	41	23	23	-	-	-	40	40
Kansas City, Mo.	-	-	-	4/2.50	-	-	21	20-21	4/5.40	-	-	39	35-39

1/ Reported wholesale and retail prices of products, delivered to wholesale buyers' places of business, to homes of retail customers, and sold through stores as indicated. Special grades refer to milk of different quality than that commonly sold in cities designated.

2/ Price per pound. 3/ Sept. price 28-32 $\frac{1}{2}$ not 29 $\frac{1}{2}$ as shown in Sept. report. 4/ July, August, and Sept. prices \$2.66 and \$5.66 respectively, not \$2.42 and \$5.24 as shown in reports for those months.

NET PRICES PAID MEMBERS OF PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATIONS 1/

City	Last net blended prices paid for 3.5% milk <u>2/</u> per cwt.		Previously announced dealers' buying prices for same period	
			Basic or Class I per cwt.	Surplus price (paid on current butter market except as noted.)
	Dollars	Month	Dollars	
Hartford, New Haven				
Bridgeport, Conn.	6.11	Aug.	6.38	
Washington, D.C.	6.02	Aug.	6.13	
Chicago, Ill.	<u>3/</u> 4.94	Aug.	5.26	All milk pooled.
Louisville, Ky.	<u>4/</u> 5.40	Sept.	5.21	
Baltimore, Md.	5.61	Aug.	5.78	
Boston, Mass.	<u>5/</u> 5.31	Aug.	5.87	
Detroit, Mich.	4.71	Aug.	5.54	
St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn.	4.29	Sept.	4.68	All milk pooled
St. Louis, Mo.	5.39	Aug.	5.62	
New York, N. Y.	<u>6/</u> 5.14-5.20	Aug.	5.90	
Akron, Ohio	5.50	Aug.	6.00	
Canton, Ohio	5.42	Aug.	5.90	
Cincinnati, Ohio	5.01	Aug.	5.54	
Cleveland, Ohio	5.47	Aug.	5.85	
Columbus, Ohio	5.20	Aug.	5.29	
Dayton, Ohio	5.03	Aug.	5.34	
Toledo, Ohio	5.25	Aug.	5.43	
Philadelphia, Pa.	<u>7/</u> 5.47	Aug.	5.38	
Pittsburgh, Pa.	5.04	Aug.	5.38	
Providence, R. I.	6.56	Aug.	6.66	
Richmond, Va.	5.75	Aug.	5.88	
Seattle, Wash.	4.64	Aug.	5.18	
Charleston, W. Va.	5.82	Aug.	5.90	
Milwaukee, Wis.	4.85	Sept.	5.20	

1/ Net prices reported paid to members of producers' association supplying the cities listed. Dealers' buying prices announced in advance for such cities are usually of two classes: (a) prices paid for base amounts for individual producers or prices paid for Class I milk, and (b) prices paid for surplus milk. The former applies to that portion of the milk used in fluid form for city wholesale and retail trade, and the latter to that portion classed as "surplus" used for manufacturing purposes. 2/ F.O.B. city unless otherwise indicated. 3/ 70-mile zone. 4/ Includes 41¢ per cwt. seasonal pay-back. 5/ 191-210 mile zone. 6/ 201-210 mile zone. 7/ Final price for July milk \$5.34.

AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES 92 SCORE BUTTER SEPTEMBER 1948 8/

Market	September 1948	August 1948	September 1947
New York	71.89¢	75.54¢	80.23¢
Chicago	71.77¢	75.34¢	79.19¢

8/ Market News Service, Production and Marketing Administration.

PREVAILING PRICES OF STANDARD GRADE MILK 1/
 DELIVERED TO HOMES IN 25 CITIES
 October 1948 with comparisons 2/

(Cents per quart)

Market	: Oct. : : 1948 :	: Sept. : : 1948 :	: Oct. : : 1947 :	: Oct. : : 1942-46 :	Market	: Oct. : : 1948 :	: Sept. : : 1948 :	: Oct. : : 1947 :	: Oct. : : 1942-46 :
				Av.					Av.
Boston, Mass.	23.5-24	23-23.5	22.0	16.8	Minneapolis, Minn.	3/20.0	21.0	19.0	13.9
New Haven, Conn.	23.5	22.0	20.0	16.8	Kansas City, Mo.	20.0	20-21	19.0	15.4
New York, N. Y.	25.0	24.5	22.5	18.0	Omaha, Nebr.	20.0	20.0	17.5	14.0
Philadelphia, Pa.	22.0	22.0	20.0	15.0	Louisville, Ky.	22.0	22.0	21.0	16.8
Pittsburgh, Pa.	22.0	22.0	19.5	16.0	New Orleans, La.	23.0	23.0	22.0	16.4
Baltimore, Md.	22.0	22.0	19.0	15.0	Dallas, Texas	23.0	22.0	19.0	15.6
Washington, D.C.	20-21	20-21	19.5	15.9	Denver, Colo.	20.0	20.0	18.0	14.0
Jacksonville, Fla.	26.0	26.0	22.0	19.4	Salt Lake City, Utah	19.0	19.0	17.0	13.4
Cleveland, Ohio	21.0	22.0	18.0	15.8	Seattle, Wash.	20.0	20.0	20.0	15.0
Indianapolis, Ind.	-	22.0	19.0	14.6	Portland, Ore.	20.5	20.5	17.0	14.5
Chicago, Ill.	23.5	24.0	22.5	17.5	San Francisco, Calif.	20.5	20.5	19.0	16.0
Detroit, Mich.	-	21.0	19.0	15.4	Los Angeles, Calif.	20.0	20.0	18.5	14.9
Milwaukee, Wis.	20.0	20.5	16.0	13.7	25 cities' average	4/21.6	4/21.6	19.4	15.6

1/ "Standard grade" refers to the grade of milk commonly sold in each market. Milk grades may vary from market to market because of variation of the factors which enter into grade determination.

2/ The prices listed are the latest prices reported to the Bureau up to the tenth of the month.

3/ 2¢ per quart discount for each additional quart on the same delivery.

4/ 23 cities' average.

and Nashua in New Hampshire. Reported increases in retail prices in these markets were one-half cent per quart. A public hearing was held on September 22 by the Rhode Island Milk Control Board for the purpose of considering minimum producer and wholesale prices for fluid milk. To date, no report has been received of any price change resulting from this hearing. Retail milk prices increased one and one-half cents per quart in Hartford, Connecticut on September 16 at the same time that the producer price for Class I milk rose 46 cents per hundredweight.

In the Middle Atlantic area, an increase of one-half cent per quart occurred on October 1 in retail milk prices in the New York City market as the Class I price rose 22 cents per hundredweight in line with the Class I price increase in the Boston market. In Reading, Pennsylvania, the Class I price rose 40 cents per hundredweight on October 1, but the retail price of 22 cents per quart was unchanged. An increase of one-half cent per quart at retail was reported from the Johnstown, Pennsylvania market. No change was indicated in the producer price.

In the East North Central area, the important Chicago market reported a reduction of one-half cent per quart in retail milk prices on October 1 simultaneously with a decline of 31 cents per hundredweight in the Class I price. The Class I price reduction was associated with a similar decline in prices for milk reported by 18 condenseries in Wisconsin and Michigan for September milk. Federal Order 41, which regulates milk handling in the Chicago area, provides that the Class I price shall vary with prices paid at these condenseries plus a stated differential. The Gary, Indiana market also reported a retail price reduction of one-half cent per quart. The Akron, Canton, and Cleveland, Ohio markets all reported reductions of one cent per quart in retail milk prices early in October. In the Akron market, a reduction of 35 cents per hundredweight occurred in the producer price. The Cleveland producer price for October has not been reported as yet and no report on the producer price for Canton has as yet been received. In Wisconsin, the Milwaukee and Racine markets reported reductions of one-half cent per quart in retail prices and, as yet undetermined producer prices. In the Kenosha market, a producer price

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City	Dealers' buying prices F.O.B. City Class I Milk (3.5% fat basis)			Retail price per quart delivered to homes		
	Oct. 1948 Dollars	Sept. 1948 Dollars	Oct. 1947 Dollars	Oct. 1948 Cents	Sept. 1948 Cents	Oct. 1947 Cents
<u>New England: 1/</u>						
Hartford, Conn.	6.84	6.38	5.64	23½	22	20
Portland, Me.	6.36	6.14	-	23	22½	-
Boston, Mass.	6.64	6.40	5.91	23½-24	23-23½	22
Fall River, Mass.	6.93	6.69	6.19	23½	23	21½
Lowell-Lawrence, Mass.	6.64	6.40	5.91	23½	23	22
Manchester-Nashua, N.H.	6.65	6.41	5.97	23½	23	22
Portsmouth, N. H.	6.65	6.41	5.97	23½	23	22
Bellows Falls, Vt.	5.81 est.	5.58 est.	5.44	22	22	20
<u>Middle Atlantic:</u>						
New York City, N. Y.	6.74-6.98	6.52-6.76	6.08-6.32	25	24½	22½
Johnstown, Pa.	5.60	5.60	4.95	22	21½	19
Reading, Pa.	2/5.75	5.35	-	22	22	-
<u>East North Central:</u>						
Chicago, Ill.	4.88	5.19	4.56	2/23½	24	22½
Gary, Ind.	-	-	-	22½	23	21
Akron, Ohio	5.65	6.00	4.80	21	22	19
Canton, Ohio	-	5.90	5.00	21	22	19
Cleveland, Ohio	-	5.85	4.82	21	22	18
Kenosha, Wis.	2/4.81	5.19	4.50	20	20	18
Milwaukee, Wis.	-	5.20	4.80	2/20	20½	16
Racine, Wis.	-	-	-	20½	21	17
<u>West North Central:</u>						
Burlington, Iowa	4.58	4.35	-	18	17	17
Minneapolis, Minn.	-	4.68	4.32	20	21	19
St. Paul, Minn.	-	4.68	4.32	19	20	-
Kansas City, Mo.	-	5.32	4.69	20	20-21	19
St. Joseph, Mo.	4.91	5.25	4.60	20	21	19
Sioux Falls, S. D.	3/5.10	4.80	4.80	20	19	19
<u>South Atlantic:</u>						
Richmond, Va.	6.43	5.88	5.88	23	21	21
Wheeling, W. Va.	5.55	5.20	4.65	22	21	19
<u>East South Central:</u>						
Lexington, Ky.	5.05	4.85	4.85	22	21	20
Knoxville, Tenn.	3/5.35	5.25	5.05	4/21-22	20-21	19-20
<u>West South Central:</u>						
Oklahoma City, Okla.	3/5.10	4.80	4.80	21	20	20
Dallas, Texas	6.20	5.85	4.95	23	22	19
El Paso, Texas	5/6.50	6.10	5.65	24	22	21
Houston, Texas	6.65	6.40	5.80	24	23	20
<u>Mountain:</u>						
Tucson, Ariz.	-	-	-	21	20	20
Boise, Idaho	4.13	4.30	4.02	19	19	18
Butte, Mont.	2/5.00	4.48	4.20	20	18	17
<u>Pacific:</u>						
Spokane, Wash.	4.77	4.54	4.29	20	20	18

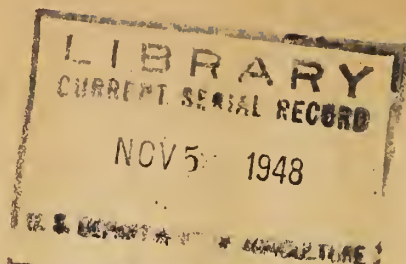
- 1/ All price changes in this area effective October 1, except in Hartford where the prices became effective September 16.
- 2/ Effective October 1.
- 3/ Effective September 16.
- 4/ The higher price is for milk in paper containers.
- 5/ Effective September 20.

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reduction of 38 cents per hundredweight was reported on October 1. The retail price was unchanged.

In the West North Central area, the Minneapolis and St. Paul markets reported reductions of one cent per quart in retail prices early in the month. The producer price for October in this area will not be known until early in November. In the Burlington, Iowa market, the retail price rose one cent per quart and the producer price rose 23 cents per hundredweight. The St. Joseph, Missouri market reported a reduction of one cent per quart in retail and 34 cents per hundredweight in producer prices. On September 16, the Sioux Falls, South Dakota market experienced an increase of one cent per quart in the retail price and 30 cents per hundredweight in the producer price.

In the South Atlantic area, the Richmond, Virginia market reported an increase of two cents per quart in the retail price and 55 cents per hundredweight in the producer price. The Wheeling, West Virginia market reported an increase of one cent per quart in retail and 35 cents per hundredweight in producer prices. In the East South Central area, the Lexington, Kentucky market reported an increase of one cent per quart in the retail price as did also the Knoxville, Tennessee market. In the Lexington market, the producer price rose 20 cents per hundredweight and in Knoxville 10 cents per hundredweight.

In the West South Central area, retail price increases of one cent per quart were reported from Oklahoma City, and Dallas and Houston, Texas. In the Oklahoma City market, the producer price rose 30 cents per hundredweight. In the Dallas and Houston markets, the producer prices rose 35 cents and 25 cents per hundredweight respectively. In the El Paso, Texas market, the retail price rose two cents per quart on September 20 and the producer price rose 40 cents per hundredweight.

In the Mountain area, a retail price increase of one cent per quart was reported from Tucson, Arizona. In the Butte, Montana market, the retail price rose two cents per quart on October 1 and the producer price rose 52 cents per hundredweight. In Boise, Idaho, the producer price declined 17 cents per hundredweight and the retail price was unchanged. Only one price change was reported from the Pacific Coast area. The Spokane, Washington market reported a producer price increase of 23 cents per hundredweight, but no change in retail prices. On October 7, the California Bureau of Milk Control held the first of a series of public hearings on producer and retail milk prices in southern California.

September milk production on United States farms is estimated at 9.2 billion pounds, 1 percent lower than a year ago and the smallest September output since 1940. Milk production per cow continued at record high levels, but numbers of milk cows on farms were the smallest for the month in 18 years. Per capita milk production during September averaged 2.08 pounds per day, the same as in 1937, but otherwise the smallest for September since 1930.

A public hearing was scheduled for November 15, 1948 in Lima, Ohio by the U. S. Department of Agriculture on a proposed Federal marketing agreement and order to regulate milk handling in the Lima market. The Northwestern Cooperative Sales Association Inc., of Toledo, Ohio representing milk producers in the Lima market requested the hearing and submitted a proposed order for consideration. The proposed order provides for two milk classes, fluid milk and cream, (Class I) and milk used for all other purposes (Class II). It is proposed that Class I milk be priced according to a basic formula price (average price paid at 18 condenseries in Michigan and Wisconsin) plus a fixed differential. The Class I differential would vary seasonally.

The Nashville, Tennessee Milk Order (No. 78) was amended on September 21 to provide for adoption of a plan of seasonal payments to milk producers supplying that market. Deductions of 4 3/4 cents per hundredweight on all milk delivered during April, May, and June will be distributed to producers during September, October, and November.

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EVAPORATED, CONDENSED, AND DRY MILK REPORT
(September 1948)

EVAPORATED AND CONDENSED MILK

Manufacturers' stocks of evaporated milk on September 30 were the highest for any date shown on 29 years of continuous records, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports. While production of this item declined more than usual from August to September, the September production was still the third highest for the month on records extending back through 1918.

Production of evaporated milk during September totaled 274,050,000 pounds, 26 percent above a year ago and 10 percent higher than the 5-year average for the month. Production declined 22 percent seasonally from August to September this year, compared with a 15 percent decline last year and an average decline of 18 percent during 1942-46 period. During the first 9 months of the year, output totaled 2,868,250,000 pounds, a gain of 8 percent from the same period in 1947.

Output of canned condensed milk was estimated at 10,000,000 pounds for September, less than half the production a year earlier but 7 percent higher than the 1942-46 average. The production in September 1947 was the highest of any month for that year, since a sharp increase in output took place following the removal of restrictions on the use of sugar in condensed milk. During the first nine months of 1948, a total of 99,450,000 pounds of canned condensed milk was produced, or 13 percent less than in the same months of 1947.

Production of all condensed bulk goods items in September was below a year earlier, except for sweetened condensed whole milk. Output of plain condensed whole milk was 16,000,000 pounds, 1 percent under a year earlier but 62 percent above the 5-year average for September. This production is unsurpassed by any other September on record except for 1947. A total of 126,610,000 pounds of this item was produced in the first nine months of this year, 24 percent more than in the same period of 1947. At 33,620,000 pounds for September, the production of plain condensed skim milk was 4 percent less than a year earlier but 2 percent more than the 5-year average. Totalling 335,305,000 pounds, output for January through September this year was 10 percent above the corresponding period in 1947. The production of 3,060,000 pounds of sweetened condensed whole milk for September was up 3 percent from a year earlier, but down 32 percent from the 1942-46 average. The nine months' total production of this item was 29,770,000 pounds, or 45 percent lower than the same period of 1947. September output of sweetened condensed skim milk was 19,300,000 pounds, 4 percent less than a year ago and 41 percent below the 5-year average. With 232,600,000 pounds of this item produced during January through September, a decline of 55 percent was shown from the same months of 1947.

Holdings of evaporated milk by reporting condenseries on September 30 were 621,948,000 pounds, up 64 percent from a year earlier and 179 percent above the 5-year average for the date. When stocks of manufacturers and wholesale grocers were combined at the end of September, the total was 663,189,000 pounds or 58 percent above a year earlier. Stocks of canned condensed milk held by manufacturers were 15,645,000 pounds on September 30, a gain of 37 percent from a year earlier and 62 percent from the 5-year average for the date. When these stocks were combined with those of wholesale grocers, the gain from a year earlier was 28 percent.

Carlot selling prices of evaporated milk declined 25 cents per case about the middle of September. The average for the month was \$6.56 per case of 48 14½-oz. cans, a decline of 15 cents per case from August but \$1.32 per case higher than a

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Reported shipments (F.O.B. plant)

DRY NONFAT MILK SOLIDS (Bulk goods) Pounds Human food				DRY BUTTER MILK (Bulk goods) Pounds		
Price ¢ 1/	Spray process	Roller process	Animal feed	Price ¢ 1/	Human food	Animal feed
8 -8½			21,110	8½ -9		14,900
9 -9½			1,426	9½ -10		42,968
9½ -10			37,300	10 -10½		31,260
10 -10½			130,154	10½ -11	80,615	276,183
10½ -11			4,545	11 -11½		153,065
11 -11½			108,874	11½ -12		166,430
11½ -12			134,962	12 -12½		337,755
12 -12½			219,633	12½ -13	6,576	260,194
12½ -13	364,945	19,312	28,212	13 -13½		20,850
13 -13½	279,300	294,858	21,675	13½ -14	24,075	6,100
13½ -14	-	2,883,709	129,353	14 -14½	13,390	-
14 -14½	454,400	5,690,766	8,920	14½ -15	120,330	-
14½ -15	2,311,434	3,113,972	-	15 -15½	160,075	-
15 -15½	4,929,871	2,618,579	40,000	15½ -16	-	6,850
15½ -16	5,074,407	3,217,341	-	16 -16½	12,375	-
16 -16½	3,372,648	548,755	-	16½ -17	487,153	-
16½ -17	2,589,748	453,575	-	17 -17½	2,500	-
17 -17½	6,408,333	210,736	-	17½ -18	135,835	-
17½ -18	722,641	11,000	-	18 -18½	-	-
18 -18½	3,237,937	-	-	18½ -19	-	-
18½ -19	1,381,698	-	-			
TOTAL	31,127,362	19,062,603	876,164		1,042,924	1,316,555
AV. PRICE	16.34¢	14.67¢	11.59¢		16.19¢	11.07¢
TOTAL HUMAN	50,189,965	-	-		-	-
AV. PRICE	15.70¢	-	-		-	-
GRAND TOTAL	-	51,066,129	-		2,359,479	-
GRAND AV. PRICE SEPT. 1948	-	15.63¢	-		13.33¢	-
GRAND AV. PRICE AUG. 1948	-	15.73¢	-		13.67¢	-
GRAND AV. PRICE SEPT. 1947	-	10.18¢	-		8.88¢	-

MANUFACTURERS' SELLING PRICES OF DRY WHOLE MILK DURING SEPTEMBER 1948 2/

Reported shipments (F.O.B. plant)

(Pounds)

Price ¢ 1/	1-2½ lb. packages	5 lb. package	All other pkgs. including bbls. & drums	Total reported shipments
34½ -35½			47,300	47,300
35½ -36½			97,738	97,738
36½ -37½			357,802	357,802
37½ -38½			21,000	21,000
38½ -39½			129,930	129,930
39½ -40½			592,158	592,158
40½ -41½			121,605	121,605
41½ -42½		172,712	155,044	327,756
42½ -43½		-	73,384	73,384
43½ -44½		1,178,500	-	1,178,500
44½ -45½		523,333	-	720,181
45½ -46½	196,848	-	50,133	465,011
46½ -47½	414,878	-	723,490	963,634
47½ -48½	240,144	-	795,541	795,541
48½ -49½	-	-	2,906	34,266
49½ -50½	31,360	-	22,000	514,390
50½ -51½	-	492,390	-	535,586
51½ -52½	468,724	36,862	1,344	1,344
52½ -53½	-	-	-	851,330
53½ -54½	-	851,330	-	129,964
54½ -55½	-	-	-	1,967,168
55½ -56½	129,964	-	-	3,449,086
56½ -57½	1,967,168	-	-	3,285,127
57½ -58½	-	-	-	3,191,375
58½ -59½	-	-	-	43,846
59½ -60½	-	-	-	46,206
60½ -61½	-	-	-	40,536
61½ -62½	-	-	-	41,816
62½ -63½	129,964	-	-	-
63½ -64½	1,967,168	-	-	-
TOTAL	3,449,086	3,285,127	3,191,375	9,925,588
AV. PRICE SEPT. 1948	58.58¢	50.97¢	43.84¢	51.32¢
AV. PRICE AUG. 1948	57.50¢	51.10¢	46.20¢	50.20¢
AV. PRICE SEPT. 1947	45.17¢	42.57¢	40.53¢	41.81¢

1/ Classified according to average monthly prices reported by firms.

2/ Includes some dry whole in special packages for export.

	Unit	September		Sept. average
		1948	1947	1942-46
Purchases, reported total	Pounds	526,127,000	518,448,000	507,217,000
Producers	Numbers	163,000	156,000	153,000
Average daily purchases per producer	Pounds	107.6	110.8	110.5
Changes in purchases per-producer 1948 from 1947	Percent	-2.9	XXXXX	XXXXX
1948 from 5-yr. average	"	-2.6	XXXXX	XXXXX

* These figures represent milk purchases primarily for the manufacture of evaporated and condensed milk (case goods) by a large group of selected condenseries.

AVERAGE MANUFACTURERS' CARLOT SELLING PRICES OF EVAPORATED AND CONDENSED MILK
BY GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS SEPTEMBER 1948 *

Geographic division	Case goods		Bulk goods			
	Evaporated (48 14-oz. cans) per case	Condensed (48 14-oz. cans) per case	Plain condensed (unsweetened)		Sweetened cond.	
			Whole	Skimmed	Whole	Skimmed
	Dollars		Dollars per hundredweight			
New England	6.63	10.03	-	5.47	18.78	9.86
Middle Atlantic	6.60	10.03	15.98	5.27	18.27	9.29
South Atlantic	6.57	10.03	-	4.77	18.53	9.90
East North Central	6.50	9.90	15.18	4.72	16.23	9.17
West North Central	6.55	-	13.00	5.30	16.39	9.23
South Central	6.57	10.00	-	5.05	18.52	9.24
North Western	6.42	-	-	-	-	-
South Western	6.64	-	-	5.24	18.06	9.34
U. S. SEPT. 1948	6.56	10.02	15.40	5.04	17.19	9.34
U. S. AUG. 1948	6.71	10.02	15.43	4.98	17.33	9.37
U. S. SEPT. 1947	5.24	8.26	12.54	3.87	15.20	8.04

* Manufacturers' prices are based upon the reports made by manufacturers covering actual sales of goods delivered at manufacturers' distributing points on the basis of cash or short-time credit.

AVERAGE PRICES PAID PRODUCERS BY CONDENSERIES FOR 3.5% MILK F.O.B. PLANT FOR SEPT. 1948
7 GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS 1/

Geographic division	Number of plants or stations	Price per cwt.	
		Range Dollars	Average Dollars
Mid. Atlantic	5	4.04-4.85	4.52
South Atlantic	7	3.68-4.65	3.92
East North Central	92	3.50-5.02	4.00
West North Central	11	3.35-4.05	3.50
South Central	15	3.50-4.02	3.75
North Western	8	3.61-4.11	3.80
South Western	18	3.73-4.49	4.16
U. S. SEPT. 1948	156	3.35-5.02	3.99
U. S. AUG. 1948	158	3.59-5.20	4.21
U. S. SEPT. 1947	164	3.02-4.60	3.52

1/ No prices available for the New England Division.

Prices paid at Midwest condenseries used in determining class prices under the New York and Chicago Milk Marketing Order for September

New York City \$3.995

Chicago \$3.985

AVERAGE PRICES PAID BY CONDENSERIES FOR MILK TO BE USED PRIMARILY
FOR CANNING DURING SEPTEMBER 1948 1/ WITH COMPARISONS

10/29/48

State and Div.	September 1948			August 1948 2/			September 1947		
	Price	Butter-	Price per	Price	Butter-	Price per	Price	Butter-	Price per
	paid	fat	lb. of	paid	fat	lb. of	paid	fat	lb. of
	per 100	test	butter-	per 100	test	butter-	per 100	test	butter-
	lbs. milk:		fat	lbs. milk:		fat	lbs. milk:		fat
	Dollars	Pct.	Dollars	Dollars	Pct.	Dollars	Dollars	Pct.	Dollars
N. Y.	4.74	3.83	1.24	4.70	3.66	1.28	4.22	3.86	1.09
M. Atl. 3/	4.84	3.90	1.24	4.75	3.72	1.28	4.27	3.92	1.09
Va.	4.71	4.54	1.04	4.64	4.34	1.07	4.13	4.43	.93
W. Va.	4.82	4.48	1.07	4.75	4.28	1.11	4.23	4.42	.96
S. Atl. 3/	4.81	4.51	1.07	4.77	4.33	1.10	4.20	4.45	.94
Ohio	4.82	4.14	1.17	4.75	3.99	1.19	4.11	4.12	1.00
Ind.	4.68	4.35	1.08	4.84	4.08	1.19	4.19	4.21	.99
Ill.	4.28	3.75	1.14	4.53	3.69	1.23	3.81	3.76	1.01
Mich.	4.48	3.94	1.14	4.64	3.88	1.19	4.09	4.07	1.01
Wis.	4.27	3.75	1.14	4.64	3.67	1.26	4.00	3.89	1.03
E. N. C.	4.46	3.93	1.14	4.67	3.81	1.23	4.04	3.99	1.01
Minn.	4.12	3.69	1.12	-	-	-	4.02	3.82	1.05
Iowa	4.18	3.83	1.09	4.35	3.74	1.16	4.01	3.79	1.06
Mo.	4.95	4.51	1.10	4.78	4.23	1.13	4.22	4.35	.97
Kans.	4.82	4.34	1.11	4.73	4.16	1.14	4.07	4.26	.95
W. N. C.	4.82	4.38	1.10	4.71	4.15	1.14	4.15	4.21	.99
Ky.	4.81	4.61	1.04	4.75	4.38	1.08	4.29	4.58	.94
Tenn.	4.81	4.72	1.02	4.78	4.51	1.06	4.23	4.66	.91
Miss.	4.90	4.75	1.03	4.78	4.47	1.07	4.14	4.65	.89
Texas	5.30	4.73	1.12	4.89	4.36	1.12	4.01	4.61	.87
S. Cent. 3/	4.87	4.68	1.04	4.79	4.44	1.08	4.23	4.61	.92
Idaho	4.61	4.15	1.11	4.61	3.95	1.17	4.28	4.21	1.02
Wash.	4.61	4.26	1.08	4.53	4.21	1.08	4.28	4.32	.99
Ore.	4.96	4.75	1.04	4.79	4.51	1.06	4.55	4.74	.96
N. W.	4.63	4.25	1.09	4.58	4.13	1.11	4.31	4.33	1.00
Colo.	4.68	3.74	1.25	4.35	3.62	1.20	3.96	3.77	1.05
Utah	4.17	3.45	1.21	4.13	3.39	1.22	3.30	3.41	.97
Calif.	4.84	4.05	1.20	4.66	3.89	1.20	4.07	4.01	1.02
S. W. 3/	4.72	3.93	1.20	4.55	3.80	1.20	3.93	3.89	1.01
U. S. 3/	4.65	4.17	1.11	4.69	4.00	1.17	4.10	4.15	.99

1/ Preliminary; subject to revision. Prices are for milk of actual butterfat test as reported.

All prices are reported as f.o.b. plant, country receiving station or concentrating station, and therefore include hauling costs. 2/ Revised.

3/ Includes prices for some States not shown separately.

year earlier. The August price was a record high. Sweetened condensed milk sales averaged \$10.02 per case of 48 14-oz. cans in September, which is unchanged from August but \$1.76 per case less than a year earlier. The present price is the highest of any month of record since 1920. Manufacturers' selling prices of plain condensed whole milk averaged \$15.40 per hundredweight for September, a decline of 3 cents from August but \$2.86 per hundredweight higher than a year earlier. Prices of plain condensed skim milk at \$5.04 per hundredweight for September was 6 cents up from August and \$1.17 up from a year earlier. Selling prices of sweetened condensed skim milk averaged \$9.34 for September, a 3-cent drop from August but a gain of \$1.30 from a year ago. Sweetened condensed whole milk averaged \$17.19 per hundredweight for September, a 14-cent drop from August but \$1.99 above a year earlier.

Prices paid by condenseries in September for milk of 3.5 percent butterfat averaged \$3.99 per hundredweight, a contra-seasonal drop of 22 cents from August but still 47 cents above a year earlier. Despite this decline, the September price was the highest of record for the month.

Reporting condenseries showed purchases of milk for September of 526,127,000 pounds from approximately 163,000 producers. The average purchases per producer per day were 107.6 pounds, a decline of 2.9 percent from a year earlier and of 2.6 percent from the 5-year average.

On the basis of actual butterfat tests, prices paid producers by condenseries in September averaged \$4.65 per hundredweight for milk of 4.17 percent butterfat. The price per pound of butterfat in September averaged \$1.11 compared with \$1.17 in August and 99 cents a year earlier. During September the price per pound of butterfat ranged from \$1.02 in Tennessee to \$1.25 in Colorado.

COMMODITY	Sept. 1948 1/	Sept. 1947 1/	Change in Sept. 1948 from		Cumulative total	
			1947	1942-46 average	Jan.-Sept. 1948	Change from Jan.-Sept. 1947
Evaporated and Condensed Milk	Thousand pounds	Thousand pounds	Percent		Thous. lb.	Percent
Evaporated (case goods)	274,050	218,000	+26	+10	2,868,250	+ 8
Condensed (case goods)	10,000	21,100	-53	+ 7	99,450	-13
Plain Condensed Whole (bulk)	16,000	16,145	- 1	+62	126,610	+24
Plain Condensed Skimmed (bulk)	33,620	35,055	- 4	+ 2	335,305	+10
Sweetened Cond. Whole (bulk)	3,060	2,970	+ 3	-32	29,770	-45
Sweetened Cond. Skimmed (bulk)	19,300	20,075	- 4	-41	232,600	-55
<u>Dry Milk</u>						
Dry Whole						
Spray process	12,400	13,400	- 7	2/	121,885	+ 8
Roller process	1,250	1,750	-29	2/	14,430	+ 7
Total	13,650	15,150	-10	+21	136,315	+ 7
Dry Nonfat Solids						
Human food - Spray process	25,200	25,060	+ 1	3/+20	331,550	- 8
Human food - Roller process	12,100	14,380	-18	3/-34	201,700	-13
Total (Human food)	37,300	39,440	- 6	- 5	533,250	-10
Dry skim milk (animal feed)	1,010	1,250	-20	-37	12,400	-44
Dry buttermilk	2,825	3,185	-11	-22	30,605	-13

1/ Estimated. Subject to revision when the report is available for 1947.

2/ Spray and roller dry whole milk not reported separately prior to 1945.

3/ Spray and roller nonfat dry milk solids not reported separately prior to 1943, but estimated for 1942.

MANUFACTURERS' STOCKS OF EVAPORATED, CONDENSED AND DRY MILK SEPTEMBER 30

COMMODITY	1948	1947 1/	Average 1942-46	Change in 1948 from	
				1947	1942-46 av.
Evaporated and Condensed Milk		Thousand pounds		Percent	
Evaporated (case goods)	621,948	379,712	222,720	+64	+179
Condensed (case goods)	15,645	11,422	9,654	+37	+62
<u>Dry Milk</u>					
Dry Whole					
Spray process	28,746	17,621	2/	+63	2/
Roller process	276	608	2/	-55	2/
Total	29,022	18,229	15,992	+59	+81
Dry Nonfat solids					
Human food - Spray process	52,335	29,563	3/	+77	3/
Human food - Roller process	30,011	19,380	3/	+55	3/
Total (Human food)	82,346	48,943	44,759	+68	+84
Dry skim milk (animal feed)	1,131	1,294	2,036	-13	-44
Dry buttermilk	5,928	6,012	5,974	- 1	- 1

1/ Revised to include late reports. 2/ Not reported separately prior to January 1945.

3/ Not reported separately prior to January 1943.

DRY MILK

Seasonal declines in output of the major dry milk products from August to September this year were greater than a year ago, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports. September prices continued at or near record high levels for all items. Manufacturers' stocks of dry milk products for human consumption were higher than a year ago but dry buttermilk and animal feed stocks were smaller than a year ago. Reported sales of all dry milk items during September were less than in September a year ago.

Production of all dry milk products during September was lower than in August and, except for spray-dried nonfat milk solids, was also lower than in September a year ago. Total production of nonfat dry milk solids during September is estimated at 37,300,000 pounds. This total was 26 percent less than in August, 20 percent less than a year earlier, and 23 percent less than the 5-year average. Output of 25,200,000 pounds of spray-dried nonfat milk solids in September was down sharply (27 percent) from the unusually high August level. Reported production was up 1 percent from a year earlier and up 20 percent from the 5-year average. Cumulative production of spray-dried nonfat milk solids for January through September was 331,550,000 pounds, 8 percent less than in the same period a year ago. At 12,100,000 pounds the production of roller-dried nonfat milk solids during September was 25 percent less than in August, 18 percent less than a year ago, and

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34 percent less than the 5-year average. Roller output during September continued at the lowest level for the month in the six years for which data are shown separately on roller process.

Production of dry skim milk for animal feed in September was 1,010,000 pounds, down 10 percent from August, down 20 percent from a year ago and down 37 percent from the 5-year average. Cumulative production for January through September was 12,400,000 pounds, 44 percent less than for the same period last year and the lowest of record for the first nine months of the year. Dry buttermilk production in September was 2,825,000 pounds, 11 percent less than a year earlier and 22 percent less than the 5-year average. Production during the January-September period was 30,605,000 pounds, a decline of 13 percent from the same period in 1947.

Total output of dry whole milk during September was 13,650,000 pounds, down 18 percent from August and down 10 percent from a year ago but up 21 percent from the 5-year average. Total production of dry whole milk for the January-September period was 136,315,000 pounds, a rise of 7 percent from the corresponding period last year. Production of spray-dried whole milk in September was reported as 12,400,000 pounds, 19 percent less than in August and 7 percent less than in September last year. For the first nine months of this year, output totaled 121,885,000 pounds, a gain of 8 percent from the same period a year earlier. Roller-dried whole milk production in September was 1,250,000 pounds, off 2 percent from August and 29 percent below the total for September last year. Cumulative production for the first nine months of this year was 14,430,000 pounds, a gain of 7 percent from the same period in 1947.

Manufacturers' stocks of nonfat dry milk solids at the end of September were reported at 82,346,000 pounds, an increase of 68 percent from last year and 84 percent from the 5-year average for the date. Holdings of spray-dried nonfat milk solids, at 52,335,000 pounds, showed an increase of 77 percent from last year. Stocks of roller-dried nonfat milk solids were 30,011,000 pounds on September 30, an increase of 55 percent from a year ago. Reported holdings of dry skim milk for animal feed at the end of September were 1,131,000 pounds, a decline of 13 percent from last year and 44 percent from the 5-year average. Stocks of dry buttermilk on September 30 were 5,928,000 pounds, down 5 percent from August 31, and down 1 percent from last year and the 5-year average. Holdings of spray-dried whole milk, at 28,746,000 pounds, were down 2 percent from August 31 but were 63 percent greater than a year ago. Manufacturers' stocks of roller-dried whole milk at 276,000 pounds were 30 percent larger than at the end of August but 55 percent smaller than at the end of September a year ago. Total holdings of dry whole milk on September 30 were 29,022,000 pounds, down 1 percent from August 31 but up 59 percent from September 30 last year and up 81 percent from the 5-year average for the date.

Average selling prices of spray-dried nonfat milk solids declined very slightly from August to September. Reported prices for roller-dried nonfat milk solids rose slightly during the same period. Prices of spray-dried nonfat milk solids averaged 16.34 cents per pound in September, compared with 16.45 cents for August. Average prices for roller-dried nonfat milk solids were 14.67 cents per pound in September, compared with 14.62 cents during August. During September the price of dry skim milk for animal feed averaged 11.59 cents per pound, compared with 11.52 cents per pound during August. Prices of dry buttermilk for human food in September averaged 16.19 cents per pound compared with 16.26 cents per pound in August. Reported average prices for dry buttermilk for animal feed in September were practically unchanged at 11.07 cents per pound, compared with 11.08 cents in August. Prices of all nonfat dry milk solids, dry buttermilk and dry skim milk continued at levels substantially higher than in September last year.

The reported average selling price for all dry whole milk items during September was 51.32 cents per pound, compared with 50.20 cents in August and 41.81 cents in September a year ago. The average selling price for dry whole milk in 1-2½ pound packages rose from 57.50 cents in August to 58.58 cents in September. The reported average price for dry whole milk in the 5 pound package was practically unchanged at 50.97 cents, compared with 51.10 for August. Prices for dry whole milk in packages continued in September at substantially higher levels than in September a year ago. The average of reported prices for dry whole milk in all other containers including barrels and drums declined from 46.20 cents per pound in August to 43.84 cents per pound in September but continued above the average price of 40.53 cents per pound reported for September last year.

Reported shipments of dry whole milk in September were 9,926,000 pounds, 26 percent less than during August and 29 percent less than during the same month last year. Reported sales of nonfat dry milk solids during September were 50,190,000 pounds almost identical with 50,072,000 pounds reported for August but down 29 percent from a year ago. Sales of dry skim milk for animal feed at 876,000 pounds were up 10 percent from August but down 57 percent from September last year. Reported sales of dry buttermilk were 2,359,000 pounds during September, down 15 percent from August and down 28 percent from a year ago.

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FLUID MILK PRICES IN CITY MARKETS

FOR NOVEMBER 1948

Price changes for fluid milk at retail and producer levels early in November continued to show considerable area variation, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported today. Several city markets located chiefly in East and West North Central areas where producer prices for milk for fluid use are closely related to manufacturing milk prices reported contraseasonal price reductions at both producer and retail levels. Prices were reported as continuing generally unchanged from October levels in five of the nine geographic areas in the country. A few scattered increases were reported from some areas and in southern California a rather general increase of one-half cent per quart to producers and one cent per quart in retail prices occurred on November 1. Wholesale prices of butter and cheese increased somewhat toward the middle of the month, but wholesale prices of evaporated milk and bulk cream of bottling quality showed further weakness.

Retail prices of standard milk delivered to homes in 24 major cities early in November averaged 21.6 cents per quart, the same as in September and October, but one and six-tenths cents per quart higher than in November a year ago. Retail delivered milk prices rose in about one in every 20 markets reporting and declined in about one in every nine markets reporting. Prices were unchanged in five-sixths of the markets which reported.

At \$5.25 per hundredweight, the milk dealers' average buying price for Class I milk of 3.5 percent butterfat content early in November was five cents per hundredweight below the revised October average, but was 28 cents per hundredweight above the average for November 1947. In the East North Central area, the November 1948 average dealers' buying price was 21 cents per hundredweight above a year ago, but in the West North Central area the average milk dealers' buying price was 12 cents per hundredweight below a year ago. This is in sharp contrast with the New England area where the average buying price in November this year is 67 cents per hundredweight above a year ago, and the Middle Atlantic area with a difference of 39 cents per hundredweight.

No price changes were reported from the New England area. In the Middle Atlantic area, an increase of one-half cent per quart in retail prices was reported from the New York City market and a decrease of one-half cent per quart from Johnstown, Pa. In northern New Jersey some milk distributors, affected by the same wage agreement which was associated with the increase in New York City retail prices, also raised their retail prices, but other distributors in the same area refused to advance their prices.

No price changes were reported from the South Atlantic, the East, or the West South Central areas. In the East North Central area, a number of markets reported reductions in retail prices either late in October or early in November. The Columbus, Ohio market reported a reduction of one cent per quart on October 23. The November Class I price in that market is undetermined as yet, but the October Class I price was 51 cents per hundredweight below the September price. The Cincinnati, Ohio market, where the November Class I price also is undetermined, reported a retail price reduction of one cent per quart. In Fort Wayne, Ind., the retail price declined one cent per quart on November 1. The Class I price for November is undetermined. In the important Chicago market, the retail delivered

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MARKETS	DEALERS' BUYING PRICES (F.O.B. CITY)										SELLING PRICES 2/										Fat test of milk most commonly sold by dealers Percent
	Used for FLUID MILK 1/					Used for FLUID CREAM					WHOLESALE					RETAIL					
	Paid for milk of basic fat test per cwt. Dollars	Basic fat test Pct.	Allow-ance 1/10% butter-fat test Cents	Paid for or adjusted to 3.5% fat per cwt. Dollars	3.5% fat basis per cwt. Dollars	In bulk 5-20 gal. lots per gal. Cents	Bottled per quart tainers Cents	Delivered to homes		Stores		4-qt. con- tainers Cents									
								2-qt. con- tainers Cents	Per single quart tainers Cents	4-qt. con- tainers Cents	2-qt. con- tainers Cents										
Alabama(S)	6.75	4	7.0	6.40	-	-	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	24	-	24	-	-	-	3.7							
Birmingham Mobile	6.90	4	7.0	6.55	-	-	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	24	-	24	-	-	-	3.7							
Arizona	D.R.	-	15.8	5.53	-	63	17	20	37-38	19-20	37	-	-	3.7							
Phoenix Tucson	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	21	42	-	-	-	-	3.5-3.8							
Arkansas	5.80	4	10	5.30	-	76	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	22	-	22	-	-	-	3.5-4.0							
Little Rock California(S)																					
Fresno	5.05	3.8	10-13	-	-	64-65	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	41	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	39	-	-	-							
Los Angeles	5.69	3.8	12-15	5.28	5.28	64-65	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	21	42	19	40	-	-	3.5							
Sacramento	5.13	3.8	10-14	-	-	63	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	40	19	38	-	-	-							
San Diego	5.79	3.8	-	-	-	64-65	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	43	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	41	-	-	-							
San Francisco	5.32	3.8	10-15	4.98	4.98	62-63	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	41	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	39	-	-	3.6							
San Barbara	5.70	3.8	-	-	-	67-68	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	43	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	41	-	-	3.6							
Colorado																					
Colorado Springs	D.R.	-	14.2	4.97	4.97	68	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	-	20	-	-	-	3.5-3.7							
Denver	D.R.	-	14.1	4.94	-	66	17	20	40	18 $\frac{1}{2}$ -19	38	-	-	3.25							
Pueblo	D.R.	-	14.15	4.95	-	-	-	20	-	19-20	-	-	-	-							
Connecticut(S)																					
Hartford	6.98	3.7	7.0	6.84	3/3.45	-	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	4/22 $\frac{1}{2}$ -23 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	-	3.7-3.9							
Dist. of Columbia																					
Washington	6.43	4	6.0	6.13	-	55-69	18	20-21	-	5/19-22	-	-	-	3.8-4.1							
Florida(S)																					
Jacksonville	7.31	4.5-5	-	7.31	-	90	24	26	-	26	-	-	-	4.5-5.0							
Miami	7.442	4	5.8	7.15	-	92	24	26	-	26	-	-	-	4.0							
Georgia(S)																					
Atlanta	6.06	4	6.0	5.76	-	-	19	4/22-23	-	4/21-22	-	-	-	4.0							
Savannah	7.08	4.3	6.0	6.60	-	-	23	4/25-26	-	4/25-26	-	-	-	-							
Tampa																					
Idaho																					
Boise	D.R.	-	11.8	4.13	3.50	63	17	19	36	19	36	-	-	3.5-4.0							
Illinois																					
Alton			-	-	-	-	18	20	-	20	-	-	-	3.5							
Chicago(F)	4.377	3.5	-	4.38	3.98	67	18-19 $\frac{1}{2}$	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	44	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	-	3.6							
Springfield	4.80	4	6.0	4.50	-	64	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	21	-	20-21	-	-	-	3.5							
Indiana																					
Evansville	D.R.	-	13.55	4.74	4.57	-	18	20	-	20	-	-	-	3.8							
Pt. Wayne(F)		Not determined	-	-	-	70	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	-	19-20	-	-	-	3.7							
Gary	-	-	-	-	-	72	18	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	41	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	41	-	-	3.5							

1/ Buying prices f.o.b. city for milk used in fluid form for city distribution; either (a) prices paid for Class I milk,
2/ (b) paid for base amounts from individual producers,
3/ Selling prices are for that quality of milk commonly sold in specified markets.
4/ October prices, 4/ The higher price is for milk in paper containers.
5/ 18¢ per quart at one chain store for purchase of 4 or more quarts
6/ 1¢ per quart discount on a purchase of 3 or more single quarts on same delivery.
7/ 2¢ per quart discount for each additional quart on the same delivery.
8/ Combined price for milk used as fluid milk and fluid cream. 9/ Does not include skim milk differential. October differential
10/ was 60¢¹/₂ and 68¢ for Buffalo and Rochester respectively.
11/ 200-mile zone price +31¢¹/₂ to 36¢ freight +30¢ to 50¢ country station handling charges.
12/ Prevailing prices for Klamath Falls and Portland markets respectively; \$1.15 and \$1.16 per pound butterfat plus
 \$1.40 and \$1.58 per cwt. of milk purchased.
12/ Price to be paid in September through December and includes 72¢ as seasonal pay-back. Direct ratio to 3.5 percent
 butterfat tests

October 1948 Prices (Not available when the October report was published)

MARKETS	DEALERS' BUYING PRICES (F.O.B. CITY)										WHOLESALE										RETAIL									
	Used for FLUID MILK					Used for CREAM					In bulk					Delivered to homes					Stores									
	Paid for milk of basic fat test per cwt. Dollars	Basic fat test Pet.	Allowance 1/10% butterfat Cents	Paid for or adjusted to 3.5% fat per cwt. Dollars	3.5% fat basis per cwt. Dollars	5-20 gal. lots. per gal. Cents	Bottled per quart Cents	Per single quart Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	Per single quart Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	Per single quart Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	Fat test of milk most commonly sold by dealers Percent													
Alton, Ill.	4.831	4	8.2	4.42	4.19	-	18	20	-	-	20	-	-	20	-	-	3.5													
Ft. Wayne, Ind.	5.09	4	6.0	4.79	-	74	18½	21	-	-	21	-	-	20-21	-	-	3.6													
Indianapolis, Ind.	4.885	3.5	7.6	4.88	4.88	73	19	21	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	-	3.8													
South Bend, Ind.	4.70	3.5	7.6	4.70	4.40	66	19½	20	-	-	20	39	76	19-20	-	-	-													
Sioux City, Ia.	4.927	3.8	9.25	4.65	4.40	-	-	21	-	-	21	-	-	21	-	-	3.3-3.6													
Topeka, Kans.	5.127	3.8	7.6	4.90	4.55	63-69	18	20	-	-	20	-	-	19-20	-	-	-													
Wichita, Kans.	4.965	3.8	8.2	4.72	4.18	72	19½	22	-	-	22	-	-	21-22	-	-	3.4-3.6													
Louisville, Ky.	4.90	4.0	7.6	4.52	3.47	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8													
Paducah, Ky.	5.203	4	-	5.20	3.76	76	20	23	-	-	-	-	-	22	-	-	-													
New Orleans, La.	4.177	3.5	8.1	4.18	3.46	63	17-17½	20	-	-	20	-	-	18-19	-	-	4.0													
Minneapolis, Minn.	4.177	3.5	8.1	4.18	3.46	65	16½	19	-	-	19	-	-	18-19	-	-	3.5													
St. Paul, Minn.	5.277	3.8	9.25	5.00	4.75	66	17½	20	-	-	20	-	-	17-20	-	-	3.6													
Kansas City, Mo.	4.838	3.5	7.6	4.84	4.04	73-80	19½-20½	20½-22½	42-45	86-88	20½-22½	42-45	86-88	17-20	42-45	86-88	3.5													
St. Louis, Mo.	4.99	3.8	8.9	4.72	4.37	66	17	20	22½	39	20½-22½	39	-	18-20	36-39	-	3.3-3.8													
Omaha, Nebr.	D.R.	-	17.5	6.12	-	75	19½	22	-	-	22	-	-	22	-	-	3.6													
Albuquerque, N.Mex.	6.00	3.5	6.4	6.00	4.90	73-80	21	23	-	-	23	-	-	23-24	-	-	-													
Albany, N.Y.	5.575	3.5	-	5.58	4.95	-	18½	21	-	-	21	-	-	21	-	-	3.5													
Canton, Ohio	5.21	4.0	7.6	4.83	4.38	76	19	22	-	-	22	-	-	22	-	-	3.7													
Cincinnati, Ohio	5.135	3.5	10.1	5.14	4.14	72	18½	21	-	-	21	-	-	20	-	-	3.5													
Cleveland, Ohio	4.478	3.5	9.2	4.48	4.23	71	19	21	-	-	21	-	-	21	-	-	3.8													
Columbus, Ohio	4.524	3.5	8.4	4.52	4.23	72	19	21	-	-	21	-	-	21	-	-	3.8													
Layton, Ohio	4.675	3.5	8.2	4.68	4.08	74	19½	22	-	-	22	-	-	22	-	-	3.6													
Toledo, Ohio	5.107	4.0	8.9	4.66	4.18	62	18	20	-	-	20	-	-	19-20	-	-	3.8													
Nashville, Tenn.	5.00	3.5	6.0 est.	5.00	-	68	17½	20	40	-	20	-	-	19-20	38-40	-	3.7													
Milwaukee, Wis.	4.645	3.5	-	4.64	-	63	17	19	-	-	19	-	-	19	-	-	4.0													
Oshkosh, Wis.	5.54	3.5	8.0	5.54	4.47	-	-	21	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	-	-													
Detroit, Mich.																	-													

1/ All prices for September.

**DEALERS' BUYING PRICES FOR STANDARD GRADE MILK
USED FOR CITY DISTRIBUTION AS MILK AND CREAM (3.5% BUTTERFAT BASIS)
PER HUNDREDWEIGHT**

By geographic divisions, for delivery F.O.B. local shipping
point or country plant, November 1948 with comparisons 1/

Division 2/	November 1948			Prices compared for same markets			
	Markets	Range	Average	Markets	Nov. 1948	Oct. 1948	Nov. 1947
	Number	Dollars	Dollars	Number	average Dollars	average Dollars	average Dollars
New England	15	5.82-6.75	6.41	15	6.41	6.40	5.74
Middle Atl'c	13	5.01-6.20	5.73	13	5.73	5.73	5.34
E.N. Central	24	4.22-5.46	4.66	24	4.66	*4.79	4.45
W.N. Central	19	3.67-4.91	4.27	19	4.27	*4.48	4.39
S. Atlantic	20	4.37-7.31	5.86	20	5.86	*5.84	5.56
E.S. Central	8	4.25-6.35	5.13	8	5.13	*5.13	4.93
W.S. Central	8	4.70-6.40	5.56	8	5.56	*5.57	5.01
Mountain	9	4.01-5.87	5.04	9	5.04	5.00	4.60
Pacific	10	4.59-5.34	4.99	10	4.99	4.92	4.73
UNITED STATES	126	3.67-7.31	5.25	126	5.25	*5.30	4.97

*Revised

By cities where part of milk is purchased through country stations
November 1948 3/

City	Buying price for raw milk (flat price or 3.5% fat basis)		Freight zone or rate per cwt. to which country station prices apply
	F.O.B. City	At country	
	per cwt. Dollars	per cwt. Dollars	
Boston, Mass.	4/ 6.66	6.14	191-210 mile zone
New York, N. Y.	5/ 6.74-6.98	6.12	201-210 mile zone (31 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ rate)
Philadelphia, Pa.	4/ 5.86	5.52	61-70 mile zone
Pittsburgh, Pa.	5.78	5.46	All beyond 65 miles
Baltimore, Md.	6.18	5.87	All beyond 20 miles
Washington, D. C.	6.13	5.95	All beyond 35 miles
Birmingham, Ala.	6.40	5.90	30¢ rate

- 1/ Not including prices where milk is purchased on the basis of current butter quotations, but including "flat prices" where such apply, also "basic prices" where a surplus or pooling plan is in effect.
- 2/ New England - Maine, N. H., Vt., Mass., R. I., Conn.: Middle Atlantic - N. Y., N. J., Pa.: E. North Central - Ohio, Ind., Ill., Mich., Wis.: W. North Central - Minn., Iowa, Mo., N. D., S. D., Nebr., Kans.: South Atlantic - Del., Md., D. C., Va., W. Va., N. C., S. C., Ga., Fla.: E. South Central - Ky., Tenn., Ala., Miss.: W. South Central - Ark., La., Okla., Tex.: Mountain - Wyo., Colo., N. Mex., Idaho, Ariz., Utah, Nev., Montana: Pacific - Wash., Oreg., Calif.
- 3/ Price paid for milk sold in fluid form for city distribution. See also note 1/ on page 5.
- 4/ Adjusted to 3.5% basis by use of estimated butterfat differential.
- 5/ 200-mile zone price +31 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ to 36¢ freight +30¢ to 50¢ country station handling charges.

PRICES FOR SPECIAL GRADES OF MILK, COTTAGE CHEESE AND CREAM 1/

CITIES	Special grade of milk retail per quart Cents	Certified milk retail per quart Cents	Cottage cheese (creamed) retail per 12-oz. pkg. Cents	Wholesale per gal. Dollars				Retail Per pint Cents				Wholesale per gal. Dollars				Retail Per pint Cents			
				To Homes	At Stores	To Homes	At Stores	To Homes	At Stores	To Homes	At Stores	To Homes	At Stores	To Homes	At Stores	To Homes	At Stores	To Homes	At Stores
Albany, N. Y.	24-26	27	2/26	-	-	25	25	-	-	-	-	5.12	-	-	-	42	42	42	42
Baltimore, Md.	23-24	-	26	-	-	27	27	-	-	-	-	5.20	-	-	-	41	41	41	41
Birmingham, Ala.	25	-	25	42	42	22	22	42	42	63	63	-	-	-	-	34	34	34	34
Boise, Idaho	-	-	2/23	-	-	23	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	40	40	40
Boston, Mass.	27	31	2/28	40	38	22	22	44	38	65	61-62	4.15 $\frac{1}{2}$	65	61-62	34	32	32	32	32
Buffalo, N. Y.	24-25	-	21	49	44	27	24	49	27	75	70	4.90	75	70	40	37	37	37	37
Cheyenne, Wyo.	-	-	18	38	38	20	20	38	20	76	76	-	76	76	40	40	40	40	40
Chicago, Ill.	24 $\frac{1}{2}$ -27	26 $\frac{1}{2}$	23	51	45	27	23	51	27	-	-	-	-	-	38	35	35	35	35
Dallas, Texas	23	-	22	-	-	22	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33	32	32	32	32
Denver, Colo.	-	-	22	-	-	22	23	-	-	-	-	4.94	-	-	38	37	37	37	37
Des Moines, Ia.	21	-	23	41	41	21	21	41	21	-	-	-	-	-	38	38	38	38	38
Duluth, Minn.	21	-	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.70	57	55-57	30	30	30	30	30
El Paso, Texas	26	28	30	-	-	24	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	47	47	47	47	47
Evansville, Ind.	21-22	-	24	-	-	21	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37	37	37	37	37
Hartford, Conn.	24 $\frac{1}{2}$ -26 $\frac{1}{2}$	28 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	-	23	21	-	-	-	-	-	72	72	37	37	37	37	37
Jacksonville, Fla.	27-28	-	22	-	-	28	28	-	-	-	-	5.00	-	-	42	42	42	42	42
Kansas City, Mo.	-	-	22	3.20	3.20	28	28	3.20	28	20-21 $\frac{1}{2}$	20-21 $\frac{1}{2}$	5.50-5.60	-	-	40-41	37-41	37-41	37-41	37-41
Los Angeles, Calif.	23 $\frac{1}{2}$ -24	26	2/28-30	2.60-2.62	42-45	-	-	42-45	-	-	-	4.72	72	82	37	-	-	-	-
Miami, Fla.	27	28	20	3.20	56	28	28	56	28	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	5.00	82	82	42	42	42	42	42
Milwaukee, Wis.	22-22 $\frac{1}{2}$	23	21-22	2.70-2.72	-	24	24	-	-	23-24	23-24	4.05-4.07	-	-	32	31-32	31-32	31-32	31-32
Minneapolis, Minn.	19 $\frac{1}{2}$ -20 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	21	2.44	34	19	19	34	31-34	16 $\frac{1}{2}$ -19	16 $\frac{1}{2}$ -19	3.04	44	39-44	23	20-23	20-23	20-23	20-23
Nashville, Tenn.	21	-	2/27	2.50	-	22	22	-	-	22	22	4.00	-	-	30	30	30	30	30
New Orleans, La.	24-25	28	23	2.68	-	21	21	-	-	21	21	3.36	-	-	26	26	26	26	26
New York, N. Y.	27 $\frac{1}{2}$ -28	28-33 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	2.28	-	22	22	-	-	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	4.00	-	-	37	37	37	37	37
Omaha, Nebr.	21-22	-	19	2.79	-	22	22	-	-	21-22	21-22	-	-	-	38	37-38	37-38	37-38	37-38
Philadelphia, Pa.	25	-	2/25	3.04-3.12	49	26	26	49	47	25	25	5.56-6.28	90	88	48	47	47	47	47
Pittsburgh, Pa.	23-24	-	-	3.28	48	26	26	48	48	26	26	4.52	68	68	35	35	35	35	35
Portland, Ore.	22 $\frac{1}{2}$ -24 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	2.95	41	22	22	41	41	22	22	4.20	58	58	31	31	31	31	31
Providence, R. I.	-	27	-	2.55 $\frac{1}{2}$	45	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	45	43	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	4.75	73	70	37	36	36	36	36
Richmond, Va.	24-25	-	28	2.90	49	27	27	49	49	27	27	4.25	67	67	37	37	37	37	37
Rochester, N. Y.	24-25	-	19	3.04	51	28	28	51	-	28	27	5.84	85	85	45	44	44	44	44
Salt Lake City, Utah	21	-	25	2.60	44	28	28	44	43-44	28	27-28	4.20	65	64	38	37-38	37-38	37-38	37-38
Seattle, Wash.	23	-	24	2.82	43	24	24	43	41	24	23	4.16	60	58	34	33	33	33	33
Sioux City, Ia.	21	-	19	2.64	-	21	21	-	-	20-21	20-21	4.54	-	-	38	36-38	36-38	36-38	36-38
St. Louis, Mo.	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	23	2.90	-	24-26	24-26	-	-	24-26	24-26	4.96	-	-	34-36	34-36	34-36	34-36	34-36
Washington, D. C.	22-23	-	23-25	2.44-2.56	37-39	20 $\frac{1}{2}$ -21 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$ -21 $\frac{1}{2}$	37-39	35-40	19-23	19-23	-	76	76-82	41	39-41	39-41	39-41	39-41
Wheeling, W. Va.	23	-	2/23	2.82	41	23	23	41	41	23	23	-	-	-	40	40	40	40	40

1/ Reported wholesale and retail prices of products, delivered to wholesale buyers' places of business, to homes of retail customers, and sold through stores as indicated. Special grades refer to milk of different quality than that commonly sold in cities designated.

2/ Price per pound.

NET PRICES PAID MEMBERS OF PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATIONS 1/

City	Last net blended prices paid for 3.5% milk 2/ per cwt.		Previously announced dealers' buying prices for same period	
	Dollars	Month	Basic or Class I per cwt. Dollars	Surplus price (paid on current butter market except as noted.)
Hartford, New Haven				
Bridgeport, Conn.	6.37	Sept.	6.38	
Washington, D. C.	7/6.33	Sept.	6.13	
Chicago, Ill.	3/4.93	Sept.	5.19	All milk pooled.
Louisville, Ky.	4/5.05	Oct.	4.72	
Baltimore, Md.	6.10	Sept.	6.18	
Boston, Mass.	5.32	Sept.	5.88	
Detroit, Mich.	4.79	Sept.	5.54	
St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn.	3.74	Oct.	4.18	All milk pooled.
St. Louis, Mo.	—	Sept.	5.34	
New York, N. Y.	6/5.19-5.25	Sept.	5.90	
Akron, Ohio	5.40	Sept.	6.00	
Canton, Ohio	5.42	Sept.	5.90	
Cincinnati, Ohio	4.97	Sept.	5.33	
Cleveland, Ohio	5.52	Sept.	5.85	
Columbus, Ohio	4.93	Sept.	4.99	
Dayton, Ohio	4.90	Sept.	5.03	
Toledo, Ohio	5.04	Sept.	5.10	
Philadelphia, Pa.	5.69est.	Sept.	5.99	
Pittsburgh, Pa.	5.44	Sept.	5.78	
Providence, R. I.	6.57	Sept.	6.67	
Richmond, Va.	6.30	Sept.	5.88	
Seattle, Wash.	4.80	Sept.	5.18	
Charleston, W. Va.	5.90	Sept.	5.90	
Milwaukee, Wis.	4.60	Oct.	5.00	

- 1/ Net prices reported paid to members of producers' associations supplying the cities listed. Dealers' buying prices announced in advance for such cities are usually of two classes: (a) prices paid for base amounts for individual producers or prices paid for Class I milk, and (b) prices paid for surplus milk. The former applies to that portion of the milk used in fluid form for city wholesale and retail trade, and the latter to that portion classed as "surplus" used for manufacturing purposes. 2/ F.O.B. city unless otherwise indicated. 3/ 70-mile zone. 4/ Includes 44¢ per cwt. seasonal pay-back. 5/ 191-210 mile zone. 6/ 201-210 mile zone. 7/ Includes 52¢ per cwt. seasonal pay-back.

AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES 92 SCORE BUTTER OCTOBER 1948 8/

Market	October 1948	September 1948	October 1947
New York	64.43¢	71.89¢	71.79¢
Chicago	63.28¢	71.77¢	70.11¢

8/ Market News Service, Production and Marketing Administration.

PREVAILING PRICES OF STANDARD GRADE MILK 1/
DELIVERED TO HOMES IN 25 CITIES
November 1948 with comparisons 2/

(Cents per quart)

Market	Nov. : : 1948	Oct. : : 1948	Nov. : : 1947	Nov. : : 1942-46	Market	Nov. : : 1948	Oct. : : 1948	Nov. : : 1947	Nov. : : 1942-46
				Av.					Av.
Boston, Mass.	23.5-24	23.5-24	22.0	16.8	Minneapolis, Minn.	3/19.0	20.0	19.0	14.1
New Haven, Conn.	23.5	23.5	21.0	17.0	Kansas City, Mo.	20.5	20.0	19.0	15.4
New York, N. Y.	25.5	25.0	23.5	18.0	Omaha, Nebr.	20.0	20.0	18.0	14.1
Philadelphia, Pa.	22.0	22.0	20.0	15.0	Louisville, Ky.	22.0	22.0	21.0	16.8
Pittsburgh, Pa.	22.0	22.0	20.5	16.0	New Orleans, La.	23.0	23.0	22.0	16.4
Baltimore, Md.	22.0	22.0	20.0	15.0	Dallas, Texas	23.0	23.0	20.0	15.6
Washington, D. C.	20-21	20-21	21.0	15.9	Denver, Colo.	20.0	20.0	19.0	14.2
Jacksonville, Fla.	26.0	26.0	24.0	19.4	Salt Lake City, Utah	19.0	19.0	17.0	13.8
Cleveland, Ohio	21.0	21.0	18.0	15.8	Seattle, Wash.	20.0	20.0	20.0	15.0
Indianapolis, Ind.	-	21.0	19.0	14.8	Portland, Ore.	20.5	20.5	19.0	14.8
Chicago, Ill.	23.0	23.5	22.5	17.5	San Francisco, Calif.	20.5	20.5	19.0	16.0
Detroit, Mich.	21.0	21.0	19.0	15.4	Los Angeles, Calif.	21.0	20.0	18.5	15.0
Milwaukee, Wis.	20.0	20.0	18.0	13.7	25 cities' average	4/21.6	4/21.6	20.0	15.7

1/ "Standard grade" refers to the grade of milk commonly sold in each market. Milk grades may vary from market to market because of variation of the factors which enter into grade determination.

2/ The prices listed are the latest prices reported to the Bureau up to the tenth of the month.

3/ 2¢ per quart discount for each additional quart on the same delivery.

4/ 24 cities' average.

price declined one cent per quart on November 1 when the Class I price declined 50 cents per hundredweight. This marked the second recent retail price reduction in that market which reported a reduction of one-half cent per quart on October 1. Racine, Wis. reported a reduction in the retail price of one and one-half cents per quart on November 2. That market had also experienced a one-half cent reduction in the retail price in October. The Madison and Kenosha, Wis., markets reported reductions of one cent per quart in retail prices, the former on October 16 and the latter on November 1.

In the West North Central area, price reductions were reported from Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minn., and Fargo, N. D. Increased prices were reported from Kansas City and St. Joseph, Mo., and from Wichita, Kansas. In Minneapolis, the retail delivered price for standard milk declined from 20 to 19 cents per quart on November 9, and in St. Paul, the retail delivered price declined from 19 to 18 cents per quart on November 8. In the Duluth-Superior market, the Class I price declined 41 cents per hundredweight on November 1. No change in retail prices has as yet been reported. The Kansas City market reported an increase of one-half cent per quart in the retail delivered price, while the St. Joseph, Mo., market reported an increase of one cent per quart. The Class I price in Kansas City was not reported and the Class I price in St. Joseph rose 19 cents per hundredweight. In the Wichita, Kansas market the retail price rose one and one-half cents per quart. The Class I price for November is undetermined as yet.

No price changes were reported from the Mountain area. In the Pacific Coast area, the California Bureau of Milk Control announced a series of milk price increases at producer and retail levels in seven southern California areas, effective November 1. In these marketing areas, Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Kern, Ventura, and San Bernadino-Riverside, retail prices rose one cent per quart and producer prices rose one-half cent per quart. These increased prices were ordered by the Bureau of Milk Control after consideration of evidence covering both production and distribution costs for fluid milk.

City	Dealers' buying prices F.O.B. City Class I Milk (3.5% fat basis)			Retail price per quart delivered to homes		
	Nov. 1948 Dollars	Oct. 1948 Dollars	Nov. 1947 Dollars	Nov. 1948 Cents	Oct. 1948 Cents	Nov. 1947 Cents
Middle Atlantic:						
New York City, N. Y.	6.74-6.98	6.71-6.98	6.08-6.32	1/25 $\frac{1}{2}$	25	23 $\frac{1}{2}$
Johnstown, Pa.	5.60	5.60	5.20	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	22	20
East North Central:						
Cincinnati, Ohio	-	4.83	5.13	21	22	20
Columbus, Ohio	-	4.48	4.84	2/20	21	18
Fort Wayne, Ind.	-	4.42	3.66	3/20	21	19
Gary, Ind.	-	-	-	4/21 $\frac{1}{2}$	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	21
Chicago, Ill.	3/4.38	4.88	4.52	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	22 $\frac{1}{2}$
Beloit, Wis.	4.88	5.19	4.56	20	20	18
Madison, Wis.	5/4.90	5.30	4.20	19	20	17
Racine, Wis.	4.38	-	-	4/19	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	17
Kenosha, Wis.	3/4.30	4.81	4.50	19	20	18
West North Central:						
Minneapolis, Minn.	-	4.18	4.62	6/19	20	19
St. Paul, Minn.	-	4.19	4.62	7/18	19	18
Duluth, Minn.	4.45	4.86	4.31	20	20	18
Winona, Minn.	3/3.67	4.36	3.60	18	18	16
Kansas City, Mo.	-	5.00	4.68	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	19
St. Joseph, Mo.	5.10	4.91	4.60	21	20	19
Fargo, N. D.	3/4.20	4.72	4.38	18	19	18
Wichita, Kan.	-	4.90	4.71	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	19
Pacific: 9/						
San Diego, Calif.	-	-	4.80	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	19
Los Angeles, Calif.	5.28	5.11	4.71	21	20	18 $\frac{1}{2}$
Santa Barbara, Calif.	-	-	4.66	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	19

1/ Effective October 27. 2/ Effective October 23. 3/ Effective November 1.
4/ Effective November 2. 5/ Effective October 16. 6/ Effective November 9.
7/ Effective November 8. 8/ Effective October 15. 9/ All price changes in
this area effective November 1.

Milk production on United States farms in October was estimated by the Crop Reporting Board at 8.8 billion pounds, about 1 percent below a year earlier and the smallest for the month since 1943. During the first 10 months of 1948, milk production on farms totaled 100.0 billion pounds compared with 103.3 billion pounds for the same period a year ago and the 1937-46 average of 97.5 billion pounds. Milk production per person per day during October averaged 1.92 pounds, the lowest for the month in a 19 year record and about 6 percent below the October average for the 1937-46 period. Milk production per cow continued at record high levels, but the total output of milk was limited by the smaller number of cows now on farms.

On October 26, the United States Department of Agriculture announced its recommendations on producer proposals for increased Class I and Class II price differentials in the Sioux City, Ia., and Omaha, Nebr.-Council Bluffs, Iowa markets. The Department recommended equal Class I and Class II differentials in each market and also recommended that the differentials should vary seasonally. For the Sioux City market the recommended differentials were 80 cents per hundredweight during April through July and \$1.00 per hundredweight during August through March. For the Omaha-Council Bluffs market the recommended differentials were 75 cents per hundredweight during January through March, 60 cents during April through June, and \$1.00 during the remaining months. Because of recent declines in the prices of manufactured dairy products on which the Class I and Class II prices are based, the

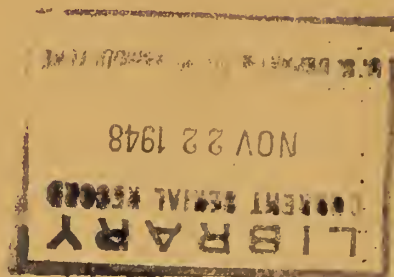
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recommended increase in differentials would not raise producer prices over their recent levels.

Public hearings were held early in November in five Federal Order markets: Louisville, Ky., Nashville, Tenn., and Toledo, Cincinnati, and the Tri-State area in Ohio. The hearings were called to consider requests of milk producers supplying those markets that the prices for Class I and Class II milk during the remainder of 1948 and during January and February of 1949 should not be less than the prices in effect in September 1948. In the Louisville, Ky., and Cincinnati and Tri-State markets, fixed minimum prices were requested through, but not beyond March 1949.

It was announced on October 29 that the Assistant Administrator of the Production and Marketing Administration had recommended against the adoption of a producer-proposed change in the formula now used in establishing the "basic price" paid producers for milk delivered to handlers in the Tri-State (Ohio, West Virginia, and Kentucky) marketing area. Milk producers proposed that a new formula be used to replace two of the present alternate formulas and thus be used as an alternate to the remaining formula in current use (the monthly average of prices paid farmers at 18 condenseries in Wisconsin and Michigan). The proposed new formula would provide for monthly adjustment of the condenser price so as to reflect changing levels, from a moving average of the most recent 60-month period, in several economic factors such as volume of retail store sales in Ohio, wholesale prices in the United States, farm wages, feed prices, and the prices of alternate users of feed (beef cattle, hogs, etc.).

The Department of Agriculture issued a decision on November 10, subject to industry approval in Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minn., that the Class I differential over the manufacturing milk price in those markets be increased by 30 cents per hundredweight for the months of August through November and 10 cents per hundredweight for May and June. Milk producers supplying the market based their request for an increase in the Class I differential upon a reduction in the number of producers supplying the market and a reduction in the supply of milk produced for the market.

The Department also announced on November 10 that it had approved, subject to industry acceptance, a temporary increase in the Class I (fluid milk) price to producers supplying the St. Louis, Mo., milk market. The action, taken to assure an adequate supply of milk for the market, would be carried out through an increase in the Class I differential of 46 cents per hundredweight from the effective date through December 1948, and 23 cents per hundredweight during January through March 1949.

The Bureau of Agricultural Economics has published another report in the series, entitled "Consumption of Fluid Milk and Cream in Northeastern Markets." The report covers 12 large markets beginning with Boston, Mass. and extending south to Richmond, Va. Copies of this report may be secured upon written request to the Bureau.

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FLUID MILK PRICES IN CITY MARKETS

FOR DECEMBER 1948

Price changes for fluid milk at retail and producer levels early in December were confined almost entirely to the North Central States, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported today. Several large urban markets in that area reported lower prices early in December than those prevailing a month ago. Elsewhere in the country, retail and producer prices for milk for fluid use were largely unchanged from November levels. Wholesale prices of butter and cheese increased somewhat during the first two weeks in December. Wholesale evaporated milk markets continued barely steady. Milk production per cow reached its seasonal low point about December 1, but was at a record high level for that time of year.

Retail prices of standard milk delivered to homes in 23 major cities early in December averaged 21.4 cents per quart, two-tenths of a cent per quart lower than in November, but 1.3 cents per quart higher than in December last year. The decline in this average price reflected lower prices to producers for milk for fluid use in several large markets chiefly located in the North Central States. Only one large city market in the country reported an increase in home-delivered milk prices early in December. About one market in every twelve reporting indicated a decline in retail-delivered milk prices. None of the markets reporting lower retail prices was located outside of the North Central States. Retail milk prices were unchanged from the previous month in nearly eleven out of every twelve markets reporting.

At \$5.25 per hundredweight, the milk dealers' average buying price for Class I milk of 3.5 percent butterfat content early in December was two cents below the revised November average, but twenty-three cents per hundredweight above the average for December 1947. Average milk dealers' buying prices in seven of the nine geographic areas in the country were practically unchanged from a month ago. In the East North Central and Mountain areas, however, the average milk dealers' buying prices were ten cents and six cents per hundredweight lower, respectively, than in November. Sharp contrasts in the relation of producer prices early in December this year to December last year may be noted. Substantial increases in average producer prices above the levels of last year continue in the New England, West South Central, Mountain, and Middle Atlantic areas. Smaller increases above a year ago are in effect in the Pacific, South Atlantic, and East South Central areas. In the East North Central area, however, the average producer price early in December was seven cents per hundredweight below a year ago and in the West North Central area it was eleven cents below the average of December 1947.

The only milk price changes reported from New England occurred in Rhode Island on December 1 under orders issued by the Rhode Island Milk Control Board. Class I prices were generally increased one-half cent per quart and wholesale and retail prices were increased one cent per quart. The increase in retail-delivered milk prices in Providence was the only milk price increase reported from a large urban market in the entire country. Retail and producer milk prices did not increase in Rhode Island in either September or October when milk prices rose in surrounding markets. The Class I price for milk of 3.7 percent butterfat content was raised to \$7.11 per hundredweight in the Providence market and to \$7.36 per hundredweight in the Newport, R. I. market. Minimum retail prices for standard milk delivered to homes were established at 24 cents per quart in Providence and 25 cents per quart in Newport. Bottled and bulk fluid cream prices, on the other hand, were

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MARKETS	DEALERS' BUYING PRICES (F.O.B. CITY)										SELLING PRICES 2/										Fat test of milk most commonly sold by dealers Percent
	Used for FLUID MILK 1/					Used for FLUID CREAM					WHOLESALE					RETAIL					
	Paid for milk of basic fat test per cwt. Dollars	Basic fat test Pct.	Allowance 1/10% butterfat Cents	Paid for or adjusted to 3.5% fat per cwt. Dollars	3.5% fat basis per cwt. Dollars	In bulk 5-20 gal. lots per gal. Cents	Bottled per quart Cents	Delivered to homes		Stores		Per single quart Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	Per single quart Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents					
								Per single quart Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents										
Alabama(S)	6.75	4	7.0	6.40	-	-	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	24	-	-	-	-	24	-	-	-	3.7				
Birmingham Mobile	6.90	4	7.0	6.55	-	-	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	24	-	-	-	-	24	-	-	-	3.7				
Arizona	D.R.	-	15.8	5.53	-	63	17	20	38	-	-	-	19-20	37	-	-	-				
Phoenix Tucson	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	21	42	-	-	-	21	42	-	-	-				
Arkansas	5.80	4	10	5.30	-	76	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	22	-	-	-	-	22	-	-	-	3.5-3.8				
Little Rock																	3.5-4.0				
California(S)																					
Fresno	5.05	3.8	10-13	-	-	64-65	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	41	-	-	-	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	39	-	-	-				
Los Angeles	5.69	3.8	12-15	5.28	5.28	64-65	17 $\frac{1}{4}$	21	42	-	-	-	20	40	-	-	3.5				
Sacramento	5.13	3.8	10-14	-	-	63	17	20	40	-	-	-	19	38	-	-	-				
San Diego	5.79	3.8	13-15	-	-	64-65	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	43	-	-	-	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	41	-	-	3.6				
San Francisco	5.32	3.8	10-15	4.98	4.98	62-63	17 $\frac{1}{4}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	41	-	-	-	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	39	-	-	3.6				
Santa Barbara	5.70	3.8	12-16	-	-	67-68	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	43	-	-	-	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	41	-	-	3.6				
Colorado																					
Colorado Springs	D.R.	-	14.2	4.97	4.97	68	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	-	-	-	-	20	-	-	-	3.5-3.7				
Denver	D.R.	-	14.1	4.94	4.58	66	17	20	40	-	-	-	19	38	-	-	3.25				
Connecticut(S)																					
Hartford	6.98	3.7	7.0	6.84	3/3.20	-	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	-	-	4/22 $\frac{1}{2}$ -23 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	-	3.7-3.9				
Dist. of Columbia																					
Washington	6.43	4	6.0	6.13	-	55-69	18	20-21	-	-	-	-	5/19-22	-	-	-	3.8-4.1				
Florida(S)																					
Jacksonville	7.31	4.5-5	-	7.31	-	90	24	26	-	-	-	-	26	-	-	-	4.5-5.0				
Miami	7.442	4	5.8	7.15	-	92	24	26	-	-	-	-	26	-	-	-	4.0				
Georgia(S)																					
Atlanta	6.06	4	6.0	5.76	-	-	19	22	-	-	-	-	21	-	-	-	4.0				
Savannah	7.08	4.3	6.0	6.60	-	-	23	25	-	-	-	-	25	-	-	-	-				
Idaho																					
Boise	D.R.	-	10.3	3.60	-	63	17	19	36	-	-	-	19	36	-	-	3.5-4.0				
Illinois																					
Alton	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	20	-	-	-	-	20	-	-	-	3.5				
Chicago(F)	4.045	3.5	-	4.04	3.74	63	17-18 $\frac{1}{2}$	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	42	-	-	-	19 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	-	3.6				
Rock Island		Not determined	-	-	-	66	17	20	-	-	-	-	19 $\frac{1}{2}$ -20	-	-	-	-				
Springfield	4.80	4	6.0	4.50	-	64	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	21	-	-	-	-	19-21	-	-	-	3.5				
Indiana																					
Evansville	D.R.	-	13.55	4.74	4.57	-	18	20	-	-	-	-	20	-	-	-	3.8				
Ft. Wayne(F)	-	Not determined	-	-	-	70	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	-	-	-	-	19-20	-	-	-	3.7				
Gary	-	-	-	-	-	66	17	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	39	-	-	-	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	-	3.5				

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MARKETS	DEALERS' BUYING PRICES (F.O.B. CITY)					WHOLESALE				RETAIL				Fat test of milk most commonly sold by dealers
	Used for FLUID MILK 1/		Used for FLUID CREAM			In bulk 5-20 gal. lots per gal.	Delivered to homes		Stores		4-qt. con-tainers			
	Paid for basic fat test per cwt. Dollars	Basic fat test Pct.	Allow-ance 1/10% butter-fat Cents	Paid for or adjusted to 3.5% fat per cwt. Dollars	3.5% fat basis per cwt. Dollars		Per single quart Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	Per single quart Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents				
New York														
Albany														
Buffalo(S)	6.20	3.5	Not determined	6.20	10/4.45	78-80	21	-	-	4/23-24	-	-	-	3.6
New York(F-S)	11/6.74-6.98	3.5	4.0	6.74-6.98	-	78	19 1/2	-	-	21-22	-	-	-	-
Rochester(S)	6.20	3.5	7.0	6.20	10/4.45	76-82	20-22	50	-	4/20 1/2-24	-	-	-	3.6-3.9
North Carolina														
Biltmore	6.40	4	3.0	6.25	6.25	82	22	-	-	24	-	-	-	3.8
Durham	6.40	4	5.0	6.15	-	75	21	-	-	23	-	-	-	4.0
Winston-Salem	6.40	4	5.0	6.15	-	80	22	-	-	24	-	-	-	4.0
North Dakota														
Grand Forks	4.40	3.5	-	4.40	-	60	16	-	-	18	-	-	-	-
Ohio														
Akron														
Cincinnati(F)														
Cleveland(F)	4.47	3.5	Not determined	4.47	-	64	17 1/2	-	70	20	-	70	-	3.7
Columbus(F)						72	18	-	-	21	-	-	-	3.5
Dayton(F)						64	16	-	-	18	-	-	-	3.8
Toledo(F)						67	18	-	-	20	-	-	-	3.8
Oklahoma						68	18	-	-	20	-	-	-	3.8
Oklahoma City	5.45	4	7.0	5.10	4.85	70	18 1/2	-	-	19 1/2-21	-	-	-	3.6
Tulsa	5.45	4	11.0	4.90	4.90	-	18 3/4	-	-	20-21	-	-	-	3.7
Oregon(S)						72	18 3/4	-	-	20-21	-	-	-	-
Portland	12/	-	11.8	5.71	5.71	74	18 1/2	-	-	20 1/2	-	-	-	3.5-3.8
Pennsylvania(S)														
McKeesport	6.03	4	5.0	5.78	5.38	-	20 1/2	-	-	22	-	-	-	3.7
Philadelphia(F)	6.30	4	7.8 est.	5.91	-	78-79	19 1/2-19 3/4	-	-	21	-	-	-	3.7-4.0
Pittsburgh	6.03	4	5.0	5.78	5.57	82	20 1/2	-	-	22	-	-	-	-
Reading	6.00	4	5.0	5.75	-	-	20	-	-	22	-	-	-	3.5
Rhode Island(S)														
Providence	7.11	3.7	8.3 est.	6.94	3/3.37	80	21	-	-	23	-	-	-	3.7
South Dakota														
Aberdeen	4.50	3.5	5.0	4.50	-	60	16	-	-	19	-	-	-	3.5
Sioux Falls	5.10	3.5	6.0	5.10	4.80	64	17	-	-	20	-	-	-	3.6
Tennessee														
Knoxville	5.75	4	8.0	5.35	5.35	-	19	4/21-22	40	4/21-22	40	-	-	3.8
Memphis	6.26	4	9.0	5.81	-	65-68	17 1/2	-	-	20	-	-	-	4.0
Nashville(F)						62	18	-	-	20	-	-	-	3.8
Texas														
Dallas	6.60	4	8.0	6.20	6.20	76	20	-	-	23	22-23	42-44	-	3.65
El Paso	6.75	4	5.0	6.50	6.50	-	21 1/2	-	-	24	24	-	-	3.7
Houston	7.15	4	10.0	6.65	-	-	21	-	-	24	-	-	-	4.0

(F) Under Federal Control. (S) Under State Control Board. Where only State is marked, all cities shown are under State Control.

1/ Buying prices f.o.b. city for milk used in fluid form for city distribution; either (a) prices paid for Class 1 milk,

2/ Selling prices are for that quality of milk commonly sold in specified markets.

3/ November prices.
4/ The higher price is for milk in paper containers.
5/ 10¢ per quart to one quart short for purchase of 3 or more single quarts on same delivery.
6/ 1/4¢ per quart discount on a purchase of 3 or more single quarts on same delivery.

3d new award discount for each additional award on the same delivery.

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Correction: Class I price \$5.277 Oct. 1 to 21, \$5.63 for Oct. 22 to 31. For November and December Class I price 3.8% below base price 1-1-55.

test \$5.46. Home delivered prices changed as follows: Oct. 11 to 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ cents per quart, Oct. 22 to 21 cents, Nov. 2 to 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ cents.

price to date, 10 Does not include skim milk differential. November differential was 60.3¢ and 67.8¢ for Buffalo and

Rochester respectively. 11/ 200-mile zone price + \$1.75 to 36¢ freight + 50¢ to 50¢ country station handling charges.

12/ Prevailing price is \$1.18 per pound butterfat plus \$1.38 per cwt. of milk purchased, through December and includes 72¢ as seasonal buy-back. Direct ratio to 3.5 percent

13/ Price to be paid in September through December 1941 as determined by various but exact test

14/ Prices for September thru November should have shown a 10¢ butterfat differential instead of direct ratio.

November 1948 Prices (Not available when the November report was published)

MARKETS	DEALERS' BUYING PRICES (F.O.B. CITY)										SELLING PRICES										Fat test of milk most commonly sold by dealers Percent
	Used for FLUID MILK					Used for CREAM					WHOLESALE					RETAIL					
	Paid for milk of basic fat test per cwt. Dollars	Basic fat test Pct.	Allowance 1/10% fat butterfat Cents	Paid for or adjusted to 3.5% fat per cwt. Dollars	3.5% fat basis per cwt. Dollars	In bulk 5-20 gal. lots per gal. Cents	Bottled per quart Cents	Per single quart Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	Delivered to homes 2-qt. con-tainers Cents	Per single quart Cents	2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents	Stores 2-qt. con-tainers Cents	4-qt. con-tainers Cents					
Rock Island, Ill.	4.86	3.5	8.86	4.86	4.71	66	17	20	-	-	19-20	-	-	-	-	-	3.5				
Rock Island, Ill. 1/1	5.263	3.5	7.59	5.26	5.11	66	17	20	-	-	19-20	-	-	-	-	-	-				
Fort Wayne, Ind.	4.581	4.0	8.1	4.18	3.94	70	17 1/2	20	-	-	18-20	-	-	-	-	-	3.7				
Sioux City, Ia.	4.19	3.5	8.79	4.19	3.89	66	17 1/2	20	39	76	19-20	-	-	-	-	-	3.3-3.6				
Topeka, Kans.	5.31	3.8	8.7	5.05	4.80	-	-	21	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	-	-				
Wichita, Kans.	2/5.466	3.8	7.5	2/5.24	3/5.08	-	-	21 1/2	-	-	20-21 1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-				
Louisville, Ky.	4.853	3.8	8.1	4.61	4.07	72	19 1/2	22	-	-	21-22	-	-	-	-	-	3.5				
Paducah, Ky.	4.759	4.0	7.5	4.38	3.33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8				
New Orleans, La.	4/5.690	4.0	9.78	5.20	3.72	76	20	23	-	-	22	-	-	-	-	-	4.0				
Minneapolis, Minn.	4.101	3.5	7.96	4.10	3.40	59	16	19	-	-	15-18	-	-	-	-	-	3.5				
St. Paul, Minn.	4.101	3.5	7.96	4.10	3.40	61-62	15 1/2	18	-	-	15-18	-	-	-	-	-	3.5				
Kansas City, Mo.	5.46	3.8	8.7	5.20	4.95	68	18	20 1/2	-	-	19-20 1/2	-	-	-	-	-	3.4-3.8				
St. Louis, Mo.	4.848	3.5	7.5	4.84	3.85	76-80	19 1/2-20 1/2	20 1/2	42-45	86-88	20 1/2-22 1/2	42-45	86-88	20 1/2-22 1/2	42-45	36-39	3.5				
Omaha, Nebr.	4.44	3.8	8.69	4.18	3.83	66	17	20	39	-	19-20	-	-	-	-	-	3.3-3.8				
Albuquerque, N. Mex.	D.R.	-	17.5	6.12	-	75	19 1/2	22	-	-	22	-	-	-	-	-	3.6				
Albany, N.Y. 1/	6.00	3.5	5.6	6.00	4.98	78-80	21	23	-	-	23-24	-	-	-	-	-	-				
Baltimore, M. C.	6.40	4.0	3.0	6.25	6.25	82	22	24	-	-	24	-	-	-	-	-	3.8				
Cincinnati, Ohio	4.989	4.0	7.52	4.61	4.16	72	18	21	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	-	3.7				
Columbus, Ohio	4.379	3.5	9.0	4.38	4.13	67	18	20	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	3.8				
Dayton, Ohio	4.390	3.5	8.31	4.39	4.09	72	19	21	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	-	3.8				
Toledo, Ohio	4.388	3.5	8.1	4.39	3.79	74	19 1/2	22	-	-	22	-	-	-	-	-	3.6				
Nashville, Tenn.	5.665	4.0	7.5	5.29	4.79	62	18	20	-	-	19-20	-	-	-	-	-	3.8				
Oshkosh, Wis. 1/	4.00	3.5	-	4.00	-	68	17	19	-	-	19	-	-	-	-	-	4.0				
South Bend, Ind.	4.377	3.5	8.62	4.38	4.38	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				
Milwaukee, Wis.	4.65	3.5	-	4.65	-	68	17 1/2	20	40	-	19-20	38-40	-	-	-	-	3.8				

1/ All prices for October. 2/ Price for base milk.

3/ Price for excess milk. 4/ The October basic fat price \$5.690 not \$5.203 as shown in November report.

DEALERS' BUYING PRICES FOR STANDARD GRADE MILK
USED FOR CITY DISTRIBUTION AS MILK AND CREAM (3.5% BUTTERFAT BASIS)
PER HUNDREDWEIGHT

By geographic divisions, for delivery F.O.B. local shipping
point or country plant, December 1948 with comparisons 1/

Division <u>2/</u>	December 1948			Prices compared for same markets			
	Markets	Range	Average	Markets	Dec. 1948	Nov. 1948	Dec. 1947
	Number	Dollars	Dollars	Number	average Dollars	average Dollars	average Dollars
New England	15	5.82-6.76	6.43	15	6.43	6.41	5.69
Middle Atl'c	13	5.01-6.20	5.74	13	5.74	5.73	5.34
E.N. Central	24	4.04-5.46	4.52	24	4.52	*4.62	4.59
W.N. Central	19	3.67-5.04	4.39	19	4.39	*4.37	4.50
S. Atlantic	20	4.37-7.31	5.86	20	5.86	5.86	5.59
E.S. Central	8	4.15-6.35	5.20	8	5.20	*5.19	5.13
W.S. Central	8	4.70-6.40	5.57	8	5.57	*5.57	5.01
Mountain	9	3.48-5.87	4.98	9	4.98	5.04	4.56
Pacific	10	4.59-5.41	5.03	10	5.03	*5.02	4.73
UNITED STATES	126	3.48-7.31	5.25	126	5.25	*5.27	5.02

* Revised

By cities where part of milk is purchased through country stations
December 1948 3/

City	Buying price for raw milk (flat price or 3.5% fat basis)		Freight zone or rate per cwt. to which country station prices apply
	F.O.B. City	At country stations	
	per cwt. Dollars	per cwt. Dollars	
Boston, Mass.	4/ 6.67	6.15	191-210 mile zone
New York, N. Y.	5/ 6.74-6.98	6.12	201-210 mile zone (31½¢ rate)
Philadelphia, Pa.	4/ 5.91	5.57	61-70 mile zone
Pittsburgh, Pa.	5.78	5.46	All beyond 65 miles
Baltimore, Md.	6.18	5.87	All beyond 20 miles
Washington, D. C.	6.13	5.95	All beyond 35 miles
Birmingham, Ala.	6.40	5.90	30¢ rate

1/ Not including prices where milk is purchased on the basis of current butter quotations, but including "flat prices" where such apply, also "basic prices" where a surplus or pooling plan is in effect.

2/ New England - Maine, N. H., Vt., Mass., R. I., Conn.: Middle Atlantic - N. Y., N. J., Pa.: E. North Central - Ohio, Ind., Ill., Mich., Wis.: W. North Central - Minn., Iowa, Mo., N. D., S. D., Nebr., Kans.: South Atlantic - Del., Md., D. C., Va., W. Va., N. C., S. C., Ga., Fla.: E. South Central - Ky., Tenn., Ala., Miss.: W. South Central - Ark., La., Okla., Tex.: Mountain - Wyo., Colo., N. Mex., Idaho, Ariz., Utah, Nev., Montana: Pacific - Wash., Oreg., Calif.

3/ Price paid for milk sold in fluid form for city distribution. See also note 1/ on page 5.

4/ Adjusted to 3.5% basis by use of estimated butterfat differential.

5/ 200-mile zone price +31½¢ to 36¢ freight +30¢ to 50¢ country station handling charges.

PRICES FOR SPECIAL GRADES OF MILK, COTTAGE CHEESE AND CREAM 1/

CITIES	Special grade of milk retail per quart	Certified milk retail per quart	Cottage cheese (creamed) retail per 12-oz. pkg.	Wholesale per gal.	TABLE CREAM				WHIPPING CREAM			
					Retail		Wholesale		Retail		Wholesale	
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Dollars	To	At	To	At	To	At	To	At
Albany, N. Y.	24-26	27	2/23	2.63-2.84	-	25	-	25	-	42	-	42
Baltimore, Md.	23-24	-	26	2.93	-	27	-	27	-	41	-	41
Birmingham, Ala.	25	-	25	-	42	22	42	22	63	34	63	34
Boise, Idaho	-	-	2/23	2.50	-	23	-	23	-	40	-	40
Boston, Mass.	27	31	2/28	2.30 $\frac{1}{2}$	38	21	36	20	61	32	58	30
Buffalo, N. Y.	24-25	-	21	3.10	49	27	44	24	75	40	70	37
Cheyenne, Wyo.	-	-	18	-	38	20	38	20	76	40	76	40
Chicago, Ill.	24-26	25 $\frac{1}{2}$	22	-	49	26	43-45	23	-	37	-	33-34
Dallas, Texas	24	-	22	-	-	22	-	21-22	-	33	-	32-33
Denver, Colo.	21	-	22	2.79	-	23	-	22	-	39	-	38
Des Moines, Ia.	21	-	23	2.42	41	21	41	21	-	38	-	38
Duluth, Minn.	21	-	18	2.60	-	-	-	-	55-57	30	-	28-30
El Paso, Texas	26	28	2/30	-	-	-	-	24	-	47	-	47
Evansville, Ind.	21-22	-	24	-	-	-	-	21	-	37	-	37
Hartford, Conn.	24 $\frac{1}{2}$ -26 $\frac{1}{2}$	28 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	-	-	-	23	72	37	-	37
Jacksonville, Fla.	27-28	-	22	3.20	-	28	-	28	-	-	-	-
Kansas City, Mo.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$ -22 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	22	2.60-2.62	-	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	20-21 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	41	-	36-40
Los Angeles, Calif.	23 $\frac{1}{2}$ -24	26	2/28-30	2.64	42-45	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	38-40	20-21	72	37	-	33-35
Miami, Fla.	27	-	20	3.20	56	28	56	28	-	42	-	42
Milwaukee, Wis.	21-22	22	21	2.50-2.56	-	23	-	22 $\frac{1}{2}$ -23	-	31	-	30 $\frac{1}{2}$ -31
Minneapolis, Minn.	3/20-21	-	19-21	2.40	34	19	33-34	18-19	45	23	-	22-24
Nashville, Tenn.	21	-	2/27	2.50	-	22	-	22	-	30	-	30
New Orleans, La.	24-25	28	23	2.68	-	21	-	21	-	26	-	26
New York, N. Y.	27 $\frac{1}{2}$ -28	29-33 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	2.20	-	24	-	14 $\frac{1}{2}$ -23 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	36	-	28-36
Omaha, Nebr.	21-22	-	19	2.79	-	23	-	21-22	-	38	-	37-38
Philadelphia, Pa.	25	31-32	-	3.04-3.12	49	26	47	25	90	48	-	47
Pittsburgh, Pa.	23-24	-	2/25	3.28	48	26	48	26	68	35	-	35
Portland, Ore.	22 $\frac{1}{2}$ -24 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	2.96	41	22	41	22	58	31	-	31
Providence, R. I.	26	28	-	2.24	41	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	39	30 $\frac{1}{2}$	65	33	-	32
Richmond, Va.	24-25	-	28	2.90	49	27	49	27	67	37	-	37
Rochester, N. Y.	24-25	-	19	3.04	51	28	-	27	83	45	-	44
Salt Lake City, Utah	21	-	25	2.60	44	28	43-44	27-28	85	38	-	37-38
Seattle, Wash.	23	-	24	2.82	43	24	41	23	65	34	-	33
Sioux City, Ia.	21	-	19	2.64	-	21	-	20-21	60	38	-	36-38
St. Louis, Mo.	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	-	23	2.90	-	24-26	-	24-26	-	34-36	-	34-36
Washington, D. C.	22-23	-	23-25	2.44-2.56	37-39	20 $\frac{1}{2}$ -21 $\frac{1}{2}$	35-40	19-23	76	41	-	39-41
Wheeling, W. Va.	23-24	-	21	-	41	23	41	23	-	40	-	40

1/ Reported wholesale and retail prices of products, delivered to wholesale buyers' places of business, to homes of retail customers, and sold through stores as indicated. Special grades refer to milk of different quality than that commonly sold in cities designated.

2/ Price per pound. 3/ 2¢ discount on purchase of each additional quart.

NET PRICES PAID MEMBERS OF PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATIONS 1/

City	Last net blended prices paid for 3.5% milk 2/ per cwt.		Previously announced dealers' buying prices for same period	
			Basic or Class I per cwt.	Surplus price (paid on current butter market except as noted.)
	Dollars	Month	Dollars	
Hartford, New Haven				
Bridgeport, Conn.	3/7.19	Oct.	6.84	
Washington, D. C.	4/6.45	Oct.	6.13	
Chicago, Ill.	5/4.64	Oct.	4.88	All milk pooled
Louisville, Ky.	6/5.00	Nov.	4.61	
Baltimore, Md.	6.18	Oct.	6.18	
Boston, Mass.	7/5.49	Oct.	6.12	
Detroit, Mich.	-	Oct.	5.54	
St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn.	3.70	Nov.	4.10	All milk pooled
St. Louis, Mo.	4.74	Oct.	4.84	
St. Louis, Mo.	5.21	Sept.	5.34	
New York, N. Y.	8/5.36-5.44	Oct.	6.12	
Akron, Ohio	5.23	Oct.	5.65	
Canton, Ohio	5.18	Oct.	5.58	
Cincinnati, Ohio	4.62	Oct.	4.83	
Cleveland, Ohio	5.12	Oct.	5.14	
Columbus, Ohio	4.44	Oct.	4.48	
Dayton, Ohio	4.48	Oct.	4.52	
Toledo, Ohio	4.59	Oct.	4.68	
Philadelphia, Pa.	5.89	Oct.	5.82	
Pittsburgh, Pa.	5.47	Oct.	5.78	
Providence, R. I.	6.60	Oct.	6.68	
Richmond, Va.	6.30	Oct.	6.43	
Seattle, Wash.	4.86	Oct.	5.18	
Charleston, W. Va.	5.90	Oct.	5.90	
Milwaukee, Wis.	4.35	Nov.	4.65	

1/ Net prices reported paid to members of producers' associations supplying the cities listed. Dealers' buying prices announced in advance for such cities are usually of two classes: (a) prices paid for base amounts for individual producers or prices paid for Class I milk, and (b) prices paid for surplus milk. The former applies to that portion of the milk used in fluid form for city wholesale and retail trade, and the latter to that portion classed as "surplus" used for manufacturing purposes. 2/ F.O.B. city unless otherwise indicated. 3/ Includes 60¢ per cwt. seasonal pay-back.

4/ Includes 54¢ per cwt. seasonal pay-back. 5/ 70-mile zone. 6/ Includes 47¢ per cwt. seasonal pay-back. 7/ 191-210 mile zone. 8/ 201-210 mile zone.

AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES 92 SCORE BUTTER NOVEMBER 1948 9/

Market _ November 1948 _ _ October 1948 _ _ November 1947 _

New York 62.87¢ 64.43¢ 79.39¢
Chicago 62.68¢ 63.28¢ 79.94¢

9/ Market News Service, Production and Marketing Administration.

PREVAILING PRICES OF STANDARD GRADE MILK 1/
DELIVERED TO HOMES IN 25 CITIES
December 1948 with comparisons 2/

(Cents per quart)

Market	Dec. : 1948	Nov. : 1948	Dec. : 1947	Dec : 1942-46; Av.	Market	Dec. : 1948	Nov. : 1948	Dec. : 1947	Dec. : 1942-46; Av.
Boston, Mass.	23.5-24	23.5-24	22.0	16.8	Minneapolis, Minn.	3/19.0	3/19.0	3/19.0	14.1
New Haven, Conn.	23.5	23.5	21.0	17.0	Kansas City, Mo.	20.5	20.5	19.0	15.4
New York, N. Y.	25.5	25.5	23.5	18.0	Omaha, Nebr.	20.0	20.0	18.0	14.1
Philadelphia, Pa.	22.0	22.0	20.0	15.2	Louisville, Ky.	22.0	22.0	21.0	16.8
Pittsburgh, Pa.	22.0	22.0	20.5	16.0	New Orleans, La.	23.0	23.0	22.0	16.4
Baltimore, Md.	22.0	22.0	20.0	15.0	Dallas, Texas	23.0	23.0	21.0	15.6
Washington, D. C.	20-21	20-21	21.0	15.9	Denver, Colo.	20.0	20.0	19.0	14.2
Jacksonville, Fla.	26.0	26.0	24.0	19.4	Salt Lake City, Utah	19.0	19.0	18.0	13.8
Cleveland, Ohio	19.0	21.0	19.0	15.8	Seattle, Wash.	20.0	20.0	20.0	15.0
Indianapolis, Ind.	-	-	19.0	14.8	Portland, Ore.	20.5	20.5	19.0	14.8
Chicago, Ill.	21.5 5/	22.5	21.5	17.5	San Francisco, Calif.	20.5	20.5	19.0	16.1
Detroit, Mich.	-	21.0	19.0	15.6	Los Angeles, Calif.	21.0	21.0	18.5	15.2
Milwaukee, Wis.	19.0	20.0	18.0	13.7	25 cities' average	4/21.4	4/21.6	20.1	15.7

1/ "Standard grade" refers to the grade of milk commonly sold in each market. Milk grades may vary from market to market because of variation of the factors which enter into grade determination.

2/ The prices listed are the latest prices reported to the Bureau up to the tenth of the month.

3/ 2¢ per quart discount for each additional quart on the same delivery.

4/ 23 cities' average. 5/ Correct price, not 23 cents as shown in November report.

reduced by the Rhode Island Milk Control Board on November 28. Light cream prices were reduced two cents per half pint and heavy cream prices four cents per half pint. The Maine Milk Control Board held a hearing on December 6 to consider producer, wholesale, and retail milk prices in the Portland market. Any price changes ordered will probably not become effective before January 1, 1949.

No price changes were reported from the Middle Atlantic area. The United States Department of Agriculture held a public hearing on December 8-10 on proposed amendments to the Federal Order regulating the handling of milk in New York City. A majority of producers through their organizations have requested Class I producer price reductions of 44 cents per hundredweight on January 1 and April 1. Handlers have proposed that the present relationship between New York and Boston Class I prices be retained. The Department held a public hearing in Philadelphia on December 6 to consider a proposed seasonal decline of 40 cents per hundredweight in the Class I price to be effective January 1 and a further decline of 40 cents on April 1. The Pennsylvania Milk Commission announced a series of public hearings on fluid milk prices beginning December 9 and running through December 16 covering seven marketing areas in Pennsylvania. The Director of Milk Control for New Jersey held a hearing on December 6 which considered prices to be paid to producers for Class I and Class II milk, also resale prices for milk and cream.

In the East North Central area, the Cleveland market reported a reduction of two cents per quart in retail prices. The minimum Class I price for Cleveland in December under Federal Order 75 is \$4.47 per hundredweight. This price does not include any premiums such as have been paid recently in that market. The Akron and Toledo, Ohio markets both reported reductions of one cent per quart in retail prices. Producer prices in these two markets for December milk are as yet undetermined, although a floor price of \$4.70 is in effect in the Toledo market. The Chicago, Ill. market reported a reduction of one cent per quart in retail prices on December 1, the third reduction in retail milk prices in that market in three

City	Dealers' buying prices F.O.B. City Class I Milk (3.5% fat basis)			Retail price per quart delivered to homes		
	Dec. 1948 Dollars	Nov. 1948 Dollars	Dec. 1947 Dollars	Dec. 1948 Cents	Nov. 1948 Cents	Dec. 1947 Cents
<u>New England:</u>						
Providence, R. I.	1/6.94	6.70	6.02	24	23	21
<u>East North Central:</u>						
Akron, Ohio	-	5.60	5.10	20	21	20
Cleveland, Ohio	4.47	5.00	4.96	19	21	19
Dayton, Ohio	-	4.39	5.38	2/20	21	20
Toledo, Ohio	-	4.39	5.23	21	22	19
Gary, Ind.	-	-	-	1/20 1/2	21 1/2	21
Chicago, Ill.	4.04	4.38	4.32	1/21 1/2	22 1/2	21 1/2
Beloit, Wis.	4.38	4.88	4.52	20	20	18
Madison, Wis.	4.50	4.90	4.40	18	19	17
Milwaukee, Wis.	4.40	4.65	4.80	19	20	18
Racine, Wis.	4.04	4.38	-	19	19	17
<u>West North Central:</u>						
Winona, Minn.	3.67	3.67	3.60	17	18	16
Burlington, Iowa	4.78	4.58	4.35	18	18	17
St. Joseph, Mo.	5.10	5.10	4.72	20 1/2	21	18-19
<u>Mountain:</u>						
Boise, Idaho	3.60	4.13	4.27	19	19	18

1/ Effective December 1. 2/ Effective November 7.

months. The Class I price in Chicago declined 34 cents per hundredweight on December 1. Since September, the Chicago Class I price has declined \$1.15 per hundredweight and retail prices have declined two and one-half cents per quart. The Madison and Milwaukee, Wis. markets reported a retail price reduction of one cent per quart.

In the West North Central area, the Winona, Minn. market reported a retail price reduction of one cent per quart. Producer prices were unchanged. In the Burlington, Iowa market, the producer price rose 20 cents per hundredweight, but the retail price was unchanged. In St. Joseph, Mo. the retail price declined one-half cent per quart. No change was reported in the producer price. In the Mountain area, the Boise market reported a reduction of 53 cents per hundredweight in the producer price but no change, as yet, in the retail price.

The United States Department of Agriculture has taken a series of actions in Federal Order markets whose main effects are either to provide specified Class I and Class II floor prices for limited periods or to increase fluid milk differentials over manufacturing milk prices. In the St. Louis, Mo. market, the Department temporarily increased the Class I differential 46 cents per hundredweight (from \$1.35 to \$1.81) for the period November 18 through December 31, and 23 cents per hundredweight (from \$1.10 to \$1.33) for the period January 1 through March 31, 1949. In the Cincinnati, Toledo, and Tri-State areas, "floor" prices for Class I and Class II milk were provided, effective December 1, 1948. The floor prices from December 1 through January 31 are as follows: Cincinnati, Class I \$5.40 per hundredweight, Class II \$4.95; Toledo, Class I \$4.70 and Class II \$4.10; Tri-State \$5.00 for Class I and \$4.70 for Class II at Huntington plants.

The Kansas City, Topeka, and Wichita Orders were amended by the Department effective January 1, 1949. The amendments provide increased fluid milk differentials over

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manufacturing milk prices. The increases are as follows: for the Kansas City market from \$.95 to \$1.45 per hundredweight for Class I milk for September through February and from \$.75 to \$1.00 for March through August, for Topeka an increase from \$.60 to \$1.30 during September through February and from \$.60 to \$.85 during March through August for Class I milk, and for Wichita an increase to \$1.45 for July through March and from \$.80 to \$1.00 for April through June for Class I milk. Corresponding increases were also made in Class II differentials in all three markets.

At a hearing in Columbus, Ohio on November 23, milk producers supplying that market requested fixed Class I, II, and III prices for December through March at levels not less than those in effect in September. At a hearing in Cleveland on December 7, it was proposed by milk producers that the Class I price be maintained at \$5.25 per hundredweight for the remainder of December and during January, February, and March 1949.

According to the Crop Reporting Board, milk production on United States farms in November for the first time this year exceeded that for the same month in 1947. Milk production per cow, favored by mild weather in the more important dairy areas and by a record high level of grain feeding, exceeded the previous high for November (1946) by nearly four percent. Numbers of milk cows on farms, however, were the smallest for the month since 1930. Daily milk production per capita in November was the second lowest for the month in records dating from 1930.

